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, was interviewed at the b70
Reno Airport, Reno, Nevada, on the late evening of November 24,
1971, and early morning hours of November 25, 1971. She
identified herself as a hostess on Northwest Airlines Flight
305.
Shortly after takeoff from Portland, Oregon, en route
to Seattle, Washington, in the afternoon hours of November 24,
1971, a male passenger on the flight, who was seated
gave a note to Hostess showed the note to Hostess , who was also in the rear passenger
the note to Hostess , who was also in the rear passenger compartment. The note indicated that the male individual was
hijacking the plane and wanted the hostess to sit beside him.
The note further indicated that he had a bomb and wanted
\$200,000.00. stated she went back to the male
passenger seated with the note, at which time he
indicated that he was hijacking the plane and was not
kidding. He added that he wanted "no funny stuff". He had
a black attache-type case in his lap, which case was partially
open and he had his hand inside same. At this time
sat down alongside the individual in seat and
after lighting a cigarette for the passenger, she told him
that they would cooperate. Her best recollection is that
it was while he told her he wanted no kidding and no funny
stuff that he first partially opened the attache case and
permitted her to see the contents. She recalls the contents
as approximately eight cylindrical objects about six to eight inches long with four of the items being placed on top of the
others and banded together with some kind of tape. She also
recalled some covered and uncovered wiring running from the
cylindrical objects to a dry cell type battery which had
terminals on one end. She could not recall whether the wires
were connected to the terminals. The battery was described
as approximately eight inches long and about two and one-half
inches in diameter. She stated that she had the impression
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noted that he was present during the interviews of hostess and and and concurred with the information as supplied by them.	ь6 ь7с
He recalled that the hijacker had indicated the bomb had an electrical fuse and instructed the hostess that radio transmissions be limited as much as possible so that they would not set it off.	
He advised that the landing at Seattle was made at 5:45 P.M., Pacific Standard Time, and that the hijacker had indicated that once the money and parachutes were brought on board and that re-fueling was simultaneously taking place, the passengers would be permitted to depart.	
also stated that there was a delay on the ground in securing the chest-type parachutes and when they did not arrive as quickly as had been hoped for, the crew, through hostess requested permission to land anyway without them and the hijacker refused permission for same. At some point in negotiations with the hijacker, he indicated an awareness that parachutes would be obtained from McChord Air Force Base and indicated that it was only 20 miles away from the Seattle Airport.	ъ6 ъ7с
added that after take-off at 7:36 P.M., they received a call from the hijacker around 7:42 P.M., at which time he indicated that he was unable to get the stairs lowered in flight. They then slowed down the aircraft air speed and subsequently observed the cockpit signal light that the rear stairs were down. At that time the Captain instructed the hijacker to sound the bell on the intercom in the event he wished to make any further contact with them.	ъ6 ъ7с
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WILLIAM A. SCOTT, residence 262 Peninsula Road, Minneapolis, Minnesota, telephone Liberty 5-5524, was interviewed at the Reno Airport, Reno, Nevada, on the late evening of November 24, 1971, and early morning hours of November 25, 1971. He advised that he was the captain on Northwest Airlines Flight 305.

Captain SCOTT advised that he was present during the interview of all of his crew members and that events, as supplied by them, were correct to the best of his recollection and he had no pertinent additional information to provide at this time. He added that he personally had no direct contact or observation of the hijacker and was, therefore, unable to provide a physical description.

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, residing at the home of provided the following information:	, b'
On November 24, 1971, while employed as a steward for Northwest Airlines, she flew on Flight 305 which origin in Washington, D. C., arrived at Minneapolis, Minn., about 10 a.m., and she boarded shortly thereafter. She said the for her flight were Pilot WILLIAM SCOTT. Senior Stewardes , B Stewardess , and C Stewardes	crew
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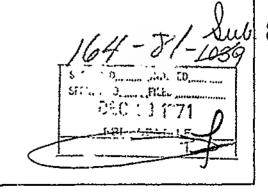
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Enclosed for the Bureau are two aeronautical charts on which the flight path of Northwest Airlines Flight #305 has been drawn with a green marker pen.

It is noted that tracking of the aircraft was handed over from FAA, Oakland, to Reno air control approach at a point just north of Portola, California.

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SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

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On 12/8/71, of the Bureau advised that the Director had given his approval for the publication of the artist's sketch in the publication "PARACHUTIST" as requested in Seattle teletype.
He advised that a sketch prepared by the artist of the UNSUB both with and without the glasses, would be furnished to the San Francisco Office for publication as above mentioned.
also asked if the entire course of the flight had been searched. He was advised that the pertinent part of the State of Washington as well as all of Oregon, and Nevada, had been checked but apparently the area in California had not yet been searched due to the fact that the reconnaissance plane had been unable to fly the course due to bad weather.
advised that Sacramento should be immediately contacted and requested to do a thorough search of the area, the same to be handled within the bounds of good judgment.
also had other questions, one of the ones he asked was, -
Did the UNSUB use the lavatory he wondered whether he might have taken the money in there to check it.
He was advised he used the lavatory before the passengers left the plane because one of the passengers saw him. He was further advised that apparently he did not check the money in the lavatory because the stewardess observed him examining the money.
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Memorandum

то :	SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) DATE:
FROM :	ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER Club
subject:	UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION OO: SE

called from the Bureau. He had the following to say:

1. The Director approved publicity of the article and artist's conception in the parachute magazine in response to our teletype 12/7/71.

2. He referred to a teletype of 12//71 from

Portland in regard to a person who was

He said it seemed to him that Portland had set out a lot of unnecessary

investigation since the purpose of the thing was simply to get a photo of the suspect and have it shown to witnesses rather than getting all the background.

3. He wanted to know if we had considered having a Northwest plane fly Agents over the exact course at night so that we could look down and see just what the situation was when the "bump" occurred at 8:10 or 8:12 PM. I told him we had considered this and also had considered hiring someone to parachute from the plane but the problem was that there was no way of duplicating the conditions which existed at the time. He requested we put some type of language in a teletype bout this.

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PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71'

CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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On 12/8/71, I called ASAC TED ROSACK at Sacramento, and told him that Bureau Supervisor had called Seattle today and that he pointed out all offices had conducted a search in this case of some type with the exception of Sacramento.

I told ROSACK that wanted us to call Sacramento and tell them a search must be conducted. I told him to put something in their daily teletype and tell us about their progress in this regard.

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TO:

SAC, Sacramento (164-50)

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FROM: Direct

Director, FBI

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UNSUB;

NORTHWEST AIRLINES

FLIGHT 305

11/24/71

CAA - HIJACKING

00: SEATTLE

Reference is made to Butelcall to Sacramento 12/6/71 and Sacramento teletype 12/3/71 which states that Beale Air Force Base has offered free of charge the use of an SR-71 aircraft' to photograph terrain over which captioned flight progressed from Seattle to Reno.

Bureau authority is granted for the Sacramento Office to immediately complete arrangements to accept the offer of the use of this aircraft as described in referenced teletype. Sacramento should afford this phase of this investigation immediate and continuous attention and keep the Bureau and Seattle Office fully advised.

Consider subject dangerous.

1)- SAC, Seattle (164-81) (Information)

1 - SAC, Portland (164-41) (Information)

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Memorandum

TO SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P) DATE: 12/4/71 IBA RCH SA THOMAS J. MANNING FROM SUBJECT: UNSUB: Pull 481-109 Northwest Airlines Flight 305, Portland to Seattle, 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING ∞ : Seattle San Francisco teletype to Bureau and Seattle, 11/26/71 Washington was contacted ъ7С on 12/1/71 and he was not able to furnish any details on the helicopter sightings, b7D He also mentioned and stated but could provide no information other than that furnished in the teletype. It was noted that the area b6 of airfields and these are regular sized to small private strips and there is a b7C lot of air traffic by small planes. Further it is known by the writer that both the state Patrol and the US Army have helicopters flying frequently due to its proximity to IS 5 which is a main guiding line for such craft. re the aircraft No other information of value was obtained and in view of the traffic in the air it is not possible

to identify the aircraft he mentions and further investigation is not warranted

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		HIJACKING NORTHWEST FLIGHT #305,	
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		Re Sacramento teletype, 12/2/71, requesting	
	routing	Re Sacramento teletype, 12/2/71, requesting of hijacked plane from California to Nevada.	;
		Enclosed, herewith, for Sacramento and Seattle copies of insert of investigation concerning	
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Period November 25-26, 1971

On November 25, 1971, FAA, Tower Supervisor, Municipal Airport, Reno, Nevada, furnished SA a map of the Radar Tracking of Northwest Flight Number 305, November 24, 1971, from Frenchmen's Reservoir California, to Municipal Airport, Reno, Nevada. This plane entered the State of Nevada at a point approximately twenty-five miles north and fourteen miles west of Reno, Nevada, aiport.

On November 26, 1971, SAs THOMAS G. DEMPSEY and with Washoe County conducted an air search over the above flight pattern area of Nevada. Nothing pertient in this case was found.

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Washington	, provided the following information:	
8:30 PM he He stated : have been :	advised that on 11/24/71, at approximately heard a low flying jet plane traveling over his house. he would not have noticed this plane, however, it must flying extremely low because of the noise it made. WE flying directly over his house and in a direction	•
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Washington, provided the following information:
advised that in the evening of November 24, 1971, somewhere between the hours of 8:00 PM and 9:00 PM both he and his wife heard a low flying jet plane go over his house. This plane was flying from north to south and created enough noise to shake house. advised that both he and his wife walked however, they could not see the plane as it was raining and the sky was covered with clouds.
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12/4/71

SA THOMAS J. MANNING

UNSUB: NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305 Portland to Seatle 1124/71 CAA - HIJACKING 00: Seattle

Re memo of SPC 11/27/71SEARCH (SUB E)

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The information set forth in referenced memorandum to SAC re a sighting of activity on Burlington-Northern line near Ridgefield was checked _____ on 12/3/71. _____ contacted [at Ridgefield, Washington and he pointed out that area immediately in vicinity of suspected activity is main entrance point or in vicinity of the entrance point to the US Wildlife Game Reguse.

Contact was made with the Wildlife noted nothing suspicious and while Reffuge no hun ting was taking place on the refuge on 11/26/71 he knows that a number of people do hunt the area outside the refuge and in view of the hour he would state that the individuals along the Burlington-Northern track were hunters and he also pointed out that hunters do congregate at the main entrance if they do not have permits hoping for a cancellation at the last moment.

In view of above information and with nothing of positive nature found concerning captioned matter no further investigation re this matter at Longview R4/

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111). (ATTM: FBI LABORATORY)

FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60) (P)

UNSUB, aka
Den Gooper
HIJACKING MORTHWEST FLIGHT #305
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
00: Seattle

Transmitted, under separate cover, is one towel containing hair or fiber obtained from seat 18-E where the hijacker was sitting, and contents of ashtray near seat occupied by hijacker and elimination fingerprints of employees of the Reno Evening Gazette known to have handled first letter received by that newspaper from D. R. GOOPER, which was determined to contain no latent prints.

The FBI Laboratory is requested to conduct appropriate examination of the towel and hair fiber and such evidence as available which could be utilized in possible future identification or elimination of potential suspect when and if same is taken into custody. The Laboratory is also requested to examine the ashtray contents and specifically process any Raleigh filter tip cigarette butts for possible fingerprint identification or comparison, it being noted that hostess recalled that subject smoked same almost incessantly.

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The Laboratory is requested to make appropriate disposition of the elimination fingerprints, either filing same in civilian section of Dureau for future comparison of retaining in event of future receipt of anonymous letters by the Reno Evening Gazette.

The Bureau-should-furnish any pertinent information and Las Vegas Divisions.

All of the above enclosures may be destroyed at the Bureau upon completion of examination.

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12/2/71

MEMBERSHIP LIST IN

TO:

SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) MAP I-A

UNSUB, aka
Dan Cooper
Northwest Orient Airlines
11/24/71

SUBJECT:

11/24/71

CAA - AIR PIRACY

Re Scattle teletypa, 11/29/71; San Francisco tel, 11/29/71; and San Francisco tel, 12/1/71.

In accordance with the request of the Seattle Office. one copy of the affiliated clubs of the U.S. Parachutists Association (USPA) is enclosed for the Bureau and Seattle Office. In addition, there is also enclosed for the Seattle Office an index of the members of the affiliated clubs of this association for the states of California, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Meyada, and Arizona. There is also enclosed for the Eureau and Seattle one copy of the transcription of communications acaling with the control of aircraft NW305 on 25 November, 1971. This transcription was furnished by Federal Aviation Administration, Fremont, California. One copy of this transcription was delivered to Agents in the Sacramento Office with a map of the route of this aircraft on 12/1/71. A copy of this map is also enclosed for the information of Seattle Office.

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4:18 PM URGENT 12/4/71 DCA

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 2P

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UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE; CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE.

RE PHONE CALLS FROM BUREAU TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER FOUR, SEVENTYONE.

THE MENTIONED IN REFERENCED PHONE CALLS,

HAVE

ALL BEEN INTERVIEWED BY AGENTS.

HAS ALSO BEEN INTERVIEWED AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS IN THE VICINITY OF

THE AIR STRIP. IT APPEARS THAT THE PLANE WHICH LANDED ON THE AIR

STRIP, ACCORDING TO

HAS ALSO BEEN INTERVIEWED BY BUAGENTS. THE LANDING

BY WAS ON NOVEMBER TWENTYTHREE, SEVENTYONE, AFTER CIRCLING

AROUND AIR FIELD

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12/6/71

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper; NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

RE: SEARCH AREA

A facsimile copy of a memo prepared by	b6
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accompanied by a map, which is also a facsimile, were re-	
ceived at 6:05 PM, 12/4/71, from Minneapolis.	
The map shows the course of the aircraft from	
slightly north of the Kelso-Longview area to just south	
of Battle Ground and sets out the most likely area for the	
parachute drop according to latest	b6
calculations as an area described by paralel lines C, D E & F.	b70
Generally speaking this would be an area between Pidgeon Springs	;
and an area just north and east of Woodland.	
The above information was furnished on 12/6/71	
by ASAC BIBLER to SA MANNING at which time SA MANNING	
advised that he is sure that the area now described has	
already been searched by helicopter and fixed wing aircraft and	
that much of it has been covered on the ground as well.	
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It is noted that on 12/2/71,advised	ь70 ь70
that after re-examining the flight recorder, he would suggest that the search area could be extended to the north an	~,
additional three miles, and to as south as the Columbia	
River. That information was furnished to SA HANNING and	
possibly included the area now described in the map prepared	
by	
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SA MANNING requested that to be sure that the	
area had been searched, that a copy of the map be forwarded	6.8
to him for examination.	D
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Thine G-I-K-M represents the airplane's flight path as it approache the Portland (PDX) VOR.

- 2. The cebin pressure "hump" occurred at 0410 GMT, the time being corded by the MA Firght Operations Office (NWAFO) in Minneapold It is a virtual certainty that the pressure "bump" marks the triblat the high-jacker (HJ) left the airplane. The airplane was Point A at that time, thus the HJ's body would lend at Point A this 'chutes did not open (unlikely).
- 3. If it is assumed that the HJ was a highly expert parachutist, and would thus free-fall as far as precticable to insure the best accuracy of his touchdown point, he would land slightly to the NE of Point A due to his drifting with the wind from the point of church opening.
- 4. If the HJ opened his 'chute as soon as he left the airplans, he would drift along the line A-B and would touch down at B. All lines parallel to A-B are lines along which the HJ would drift if he opened his 'chute relatively early.
 - 5. The parallelogram indicated by C-D-F-E represents the boundaries of the probable touchdown area adjusted for possible time errors and for the above described wind drift. It is probably the most fruitful search area.
 - 6. The earliest the HJ could have jumped is 0406, and this point is represented by Point G.
 - 7. The crew believes the pressure "bump" occurred at 0410, but in any even are certain it occurred before o415. If the hJ jumped at 0406 (unlikely) he would land on or near line G-h. If he jumped at 0415 he would land on or near line NN.
 - 8. Based on the above explanation of Figure 1, and on all the assumptions based in its preparation, the following are pertinent:
 - a. The most likely landing point for the HJ is at, or slightly NE of Point A.
 - b. His landing point is more likely to be in area C-D-F-E than any other.
 - area shown (G-H-N-N), but the probability goes down as the conds of this area are approached.

Figure 1, and this explanation, were prepared by

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12/6/71

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper; NW AIRLINES FLIGHT §305, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

RE: SEARCH AREA

On 12/2/71, when talking to , Northwest Airlines at Minneapolis, he advised that they would be willing to fly the same airplane involved in the hijacking over the area flown during the course of the hijacking and with all conditions as prevailed during the incident itself. He advised that even two volunteers could be used who would make the parachute jump over any area we might request.
was advised that his officer is appreciated and the matter will be referred to Mr. MILNES.

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12/3/71

TO: SAC, WFO (164-169)

FROM: Director, FBI (164-2111)

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING OO: SEATTLE

Reference is made to WFO teletype to Bureau 12/2/71 setting forth data concerning possible use of NASA aircraft in connection with captioned matter. It was requested that the Bureau advise of any further action to be taken.

Confirming Bureau telephone call to WFO 12/3/71 you are instructed that no further action at this time is necessary concerning the information set forth in referenced teletype.

- 1 SAC, Seattle (Information)
 - 1 SAC, Sacramento (Information)

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SA THOMAS J. MANNING

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper; NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305. PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION 00: SE

Investigation in Clark and Cowlitz Counties on 12/3/71, consisted of the following:

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	3:30 PM, on 11/24/71, remaining		b6
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	Einds nothing suspicious in this		
of planes	land at both the Hauhn and McCl	ellan small air	
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may be con	rfused on the exact time of the	landing of the light	
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SA	on 12/6/71, with details.		b6
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Contact made with U.S. Weather Bureau, Portland, Oregon, to determine exact weather from 7,000 feet to ground level on 11/24/71, reflects generally conditions previously furnished to case agent, except that some of these winds both at 7,000 feet and on the surface could have been coming from 225 to 235 degrees, a general southeast wind. Further information concerning the wind and weather conditions being furnished in insert form concerning search in general.

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Information developed by SA reflects that a market beacon receiver which could have allowed the skyjacker to zero in on a particular ground point from which a signal was eminating, is of cigarette package size. An advertisement of one particular type of marker beacon receiver is being submitted for information to the file.

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advised that during the evening hours of November 23, 1971, at approximately 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. She stated that he normally	ъ6 ъ7
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She added that he stayed a couple of hours She stated that as he normally does. She again stated that no on November 24, 1971. She stated	ъ6 ъ7(
and where they worked in a shop prior to leaving.	

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by SA	bfr	Date dictated <u>12/4/71</u>	

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Washington, advised that on the night of November 24, 1971, at about 8:00 PM he was in his barn doing chores and pointed out that the barn and his house are located . He recalled that the weather at this time was foggy with some rain and recalls that the fog was blowing like low hanging clouds as he recalled being able to see lights at the at times and then other times the fog would obscure these lights. He went on to relate that he heard a light plane which was not too noisy come over his house about 8:00 PM	
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. This plane made and then on the	
had its landing lights on and did land on the	
It appeared that the pilot of the plane attempted to turn	
the plane around and	
He stated that his visual observation of the plane indicated	
that it was one with a medium to light blue color fuselage	
and possibly white wings. Further, it had a single engine	
and the single wing on the plane was on top and it also had	
a tricycle landing gear.	
The plane lights were turned off just as a single	
male was observed stepping out of the plane but after the	
lights were turned off he did not see where this person went	
or what he did further advise	d
that not too many planes land at night	_
but some do come in during daylight hours and then take off	
after dark. He advised that possibly he has seen this plane	
at some other time an	đ
has seen the pilot go from the plane to	
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He also recalled that he went into his house and	
from 30 minutes to an hour later he heard the plane taking off and that which seemed to him	
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to be peculiar for it had landed the other way. He advised he did not see the plane take off and could not be sure of the exact amount of time it was on the ground. However, he pointed out that the following night, November 25, 1971, he thinks the same plane although he did not see it come down.

prior to the time it made the

also pointed out that while he
cannot see the actual ground he can
observe individuals who walk from his property.

then stated that while the weather was foggy and
rainy about the time the plane landed, he thinks the weather
cleared to a point about 9:00 PM where one was able to see
the stars from time to time.

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Washington, advised that on November 24, 1971, between 8:00 and 8:30 p.m. one small plane circled	ъ6 ъ7с
weather was foggy with some rain at the time this plane came into land and recalled further that it was on the ground about 30 minutes and took off again. She advised told her it was a single engine plane and that he had observed one man getting out of the plane.	
She pointed out that she had no reason to be suspicious of this aircraft coming in to land and staying on the ground, as small planes land frequently.	ъ6 ъ70
She stated that she feels sure the plane landed on November 24, 1971, as she was doing chores at the time and could relate the plane landing to the next day being Thanksgiving.	
continued that she did not see the landing lights turned on at any particular time and recalls further that there were no planes flying in that vicinity all afternoon. She pointed out that the plane came and she observed the but she did not see the plane land. She also stated that at times other planes land there at night and she thought nothing of this plane coming .	ъ6 ъ7с

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TO: SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60)

FROM: SAC, CEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

OO: SE. BUFILE 164-2111.

RE SEATTLE TELECALL DECEMBER TWO LAST, REQUESTING LAS VEGAS TO ADVISE WHETHER INSPECTION PANELS LOCATED NEAR THE REAR STAIRWAY IN INSTANT PLANE, WERE REMOVED AND THE AREAS BEHIND THEM INSPECTED ON THE NIGHT OF THE HIJACKING WHILE THE PLANE WAS AT RENO.

INSTANT PLANE IS GOING TO BE IN SEATTLE ON DECEMBER FOUR NEXT, AND WILL BE INSPECTED BY SEATTLE AGENTS UNLESS THIS WAS DONE AT RENO.

PLEASE SUTEL TODAY AND ADVISE.

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Approved:	SentM	Per
Special Agent in Charge		DR Cooper

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237PM URGENT 12-3-71 MAW
TO SEATTLE (164-81)
PORTLAND (164-41)
LAS VEGAS (164-6Ø)
PHILADELPHIA

FROM MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) 2P

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST. CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TELEPHONE CALL TO MINNEAPOLIS DECEMBER TWO LAST.

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IMPOSSIBLE FOR ANYONE TO ENTER THE PANELS WHILE THE AIRCRAFT IS IN FLIGHT INASMUCH AS THE STAIRS HAVE TO BE FULLY DESCENDED BEFORE THE PANELS CAN BE ENTERED. HE STATED IT WOULD BE REMOTELY POSSIBLE TO ENTER EITHER OF THE PANELS BUT IS NOT VERY FEASIBLE. AS YOU FACE TOWARDS THE COCKPIT THE PANEL ON THE RIGHT SIDE HAS AMPLE ROOM FOR TWO AVERAGE SIZE INDIVIDUALS. THE PANEL ON THE LEFT SIDE HAS LESS ROOM BUT COULD ACCOMMODATE ONE PERSON.

SEATTLE IS REQUESTED TO EXAMINE AIRCRAFT AFTER ARRIVAL AS FLIGHT SEVEN THREE FIVE.

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11:41 AM URGENT 12/3/71 VLS

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM SACRAMENTO (164-50) 1P

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR, LAST. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SACRAMENTO TEL, DEC. TWO, LAST.

LIST OF SERIAL NUMBERS OF MONEY PAID TO HIJACKER DISSEMINATED DEC. TWO, LAST, TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN SACRAMENTO DIV.

SACRAMENTO MAKING ARRANGEMENTS WITH BEALE AFB FOR AREIAL PHOTO-GRAPHY OF ROUTE TAKEN BY NORTHWEST FLIGHT. AIRCRAFT TO BE UTILIZED IS SR SEVEN ONE, HIGH ALTITUDE COMPUTERIZED RECONNAISSANCE PLANE WHICH PHOTOGRAPHS TWENTY MILE WIDE PATH. MAP OF NORTHWEST FLIGHT OVER WASHINGTON AND OREGON TERRITORY FORWARDED TO SACRAMENTO BY UNITED AIRLINES NIGHT DEC. TWO, LAST, HANDCARRIED TO BEALE AFB THIS AM.

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UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper; NW AIRLINES FLIGHT \$305, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

SA called from Minneapolis. He	b6
just finished a conference with MW Airlines people in	ь70
regard to the possibility of an individual hiding behind	
one of the inspection panels inside the fuselage of the	
airplane. He has been told by NW people that this is	
virtuously impossible and that access is possible only to a	
contortionist unless the stairway is all the way down as it	
would be in the flight position.	
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says he cannot find out from NW if they	b6
have actually inspected these areas in the plane and said the	ь70
plane would be coming into Seattle as Flight 735 at 5:26PM,	
12/4/71. It will be in Seattle overnight and we can	
arrange with NV to have it inspected at that time.	
reiterated that NW people told him	b6
this was almost 100% impossible.	b70
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On 12/2/71 RON STAMP of Sacramento said that they had arranged to get an SR 71 from Beale AFB, California, to fly and photograph the entire flight path and then to interpret the photographs later in an attempt to locate any foreign objects, particularly the parachutes. He wanted us to send him a map showing the flight path and headings in Washington and Oregon.

I had one of the maps which we obtained from SAGE sent to him by courier on the night of 12/2/71. This was handled by SA

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On the morning of 12/3/71, after receiving a WFO teletype indicating that they were still negotiating for the NASA plane, I called STAMP to be sure to keep the Bureau and WFO advised of his progress. Subsequently he did send a teletype to the Bureau.

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	talked with SA advised that a via Western Ai	CLOW of the package was rlines Fligh	e San Francis s being forwa nt 641, depar	telephonically co Division and rded to San Franting Seattle at at 9:12 PM on		b6 b7С
	of the flight California bor should be forw	path of capt der. He was arded via Un at 9:45 PM,	tioned aircra s also advise nited Airline and arriving	s package contains ft from Seattle d that this pack s Flight 848 depring in Sacramento, 2/2/71.	to the cage	
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	package to Flight 641, wh	o agreed to	carry the pa	gave aforements tern Airlines ckage to San Fra I at that point.	ancisco	ъ6 ь7С
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SA cal:	led from Philadelphia
12/2/71. He is the Agent who ha	
	y based on the fact that
	ed to be quite intelligent
and did not appear to be dressed	
that subject did not leave the	
	to take him through a 727
and there are two inspection par	
of the plane, which are not read	
	these areas. The one on
the right of the stairway door	in the rear of the plane,
is untenable for very long became	
ducts and other materials.	
The one on the left has	as room for a man to stand
along with the gear which subject	ct had with him the other
night. He would not freeze at 1	
need oxygen at that level.	•
is putting	this in a teletype, however,
I telephoned ASAC DULINSKY in La	
determine if FBI personnel or a	
processing, inspected this compa	
I also called Minneapolis where	
and asked him to l	have Hinneapolis determine
if airline personnel had been in	
plane since it had been returned	
showed any signs of occupancy.	I told him that if they
could not see if that panel had	
where the plane is now so that :	it can be inspected.
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE:

12/3/71

] Philadelphia Division

FROM

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

SUBJECT:

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka

Dan Cooper

NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305

On 72/2/71 SA [

PORTLAND TO SEATTLE

11/24/71

CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

00: Seattle

RE: SEARCH OF THE AIRCRAFT

advised that he had reinterviewed earlier that day and in addition, and SA had gone to the airport at Philadelphia and looked over the after section of a Boeing 727 with the assistance of a mechanic.	ъ7с
advised that he has theorized, based on the information given by that the hijacker might never have jumped from the aircraft. He said the hijacker is apparently an intelligent individual and his jumping under such unfavorable conditions was extremely dangerous.	ъ6 ъ7С
advised that in inspecting the aircraft they found that, as you look toward the rear of the plane, the control handle which raises and lowers the air stairs is locate on the left side of the aircraft. Right next to it, farther back, is a fairly large panel which hinges at the top with a locking latch at the bottom. The latch can be opened either from inside or outside. The purpose of the section is to permit inspection	

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of the aircraft in the tail section. He said there is a similar inspection hatch on the right side of the aircraft.

However, on the right side the compartment is small and contains

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DATE: 12/1/71 SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) ፐለ ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER FROM : UNSUB; SUBJECT: NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION 00: SE SA __called from Philadelphia today. He is the one doing the interviews with lacksquarefar, all the pictures shown to her, including . have been non-idents. They are sending us a teletype but he wanted us to know that and he also wanted us to know that to be thoroughly re-interviewed since she feels she can now recall things which she did not furnish previously. They are going to do this in the morning. He said that she told him that the subject told her he wanted to take off with the ladder down, the gear down and "we'll be flying with 15 degrees." She said the pilot told her to tell him that they could not take off with the ladder down and he muttered. "Yes you can, but that's alright, we can lower it later." told us he thought this was significant since this would indicate the subject knew a lot about airplanes, perhaps that he might have worked on the 727 at one time. He also thought it was significant that "we'll be flying with 15 degrees" since this is pilot talk, meaning 15 degrees of flaps. I asked him if _____ mentioned whether or not the subject gave instructions as to the course to fly. He said that the subject did not, that he did not give any neadings, he did not outline any course, but simply said to take him to Mexico. They will be reinterviewing her tomorrow and furnish a teletype. PRB:klb DEC () 1971 FBI-SEATTLE

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TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)
MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)
SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM PHILADELPHIA (164-133)

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR LAST, CAA - HIJACKING; OO: SEATTLE

RE PH TEL CALL TO SEATTLE DEC. TWO LAST, AND SEATTLE TELETYPE TO PH DATED DEC. ONE LAST.

ON DEC. TWO LAST,	, STEWARDESS, NORTHWEST
AIRLINES, RESIDING	
PROVIDED THE FOL	LOWING INFO:

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WHEN SHE DEPARTED PLANE IN SEATTLE TO PICK UP TWO HUNDRED

THOUSAND DOLLARS, HIJACKER INDICATED HE WAS GOING TO USE THE

LAVATORY AND STARTED TOWARD THE AFT LAVATORYM WHEN SHE RETURNED;

TO THE PLANE WITH THE MONEY, HE WAS IN HIS SEAT. SHE DOES NOT

RECALL HIJACKER CHANGING CLOTHES OR HAVING ANY OTHER CLOTHES IN

HIS POSESSION AND TO THE BEST OF HER KNOWLEDGE, HE WAS

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THE ATTACHE CASE WHEN HE WAS MOVING TOWARDS THE AFT LAVATORY.

HE WAS CARRYING THE CASE ON ITS SIDE IN HIS LEFT HAND WITH HIS

RIGHT HAND IN THE CASE.

OBSERVED AT ONE TIME OR ANOTHER A GREEN SHOPPING

TYPE BAG ON TOP OF ATTACHE CASE, SIZE OF BAG APPROXIMATELY THAT

OF A DRESS SHIRT SIZE BAG FROM A CLOTHING STORE, HIJACKER WORE

NON-LACE TYPE SHOES OF ANKLE LENGTH. THE HIJACKER DID NOT BRING:

FOOD ONTO THE PLANE OR EAT ANY FOOD EXCEPT FOR HAVING A DRINK OF

LIQUOR.

PRIOR TO TAKE OFF FROM SEATTLE AIRPORT, HIJACKER GAVE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS TO PILOT:

"WE ARE GOING TO MEXICO CITY. FLAPS DOWN, YOU CAN TRIM THEM TO FIFTEEN, YOU CAN STOP ANYWHERE IN MEXICO TO REFUEL, BUT NOWHERE IN THE UNITED STATES, AFT DOOR TO BE OPEN, STAIRS DOWN, CABIN LIGHTS OUT, EVERYONE TO BE FORWARD OF FIRST CLASS CURTAIN, AND ALTITUDE UNDER TEN THOUSAND FEET." THERE WAS NO MENTION BY HIJACKER OF A HEADING OR AIR SPEED FOR FLIGHT.

WANTED HER TO LOWER THE REAR STAIRS OR LADDER AND LATER CHANGED END PAGE TWO

PAGE THREE

HIS MIND AFTER AIRCRAFT TOOK OFFM SHE WAS IN THE COCKPIT WITHIN
FIVE MINUTES AFTER TAKE OFF AND RECALLS TEN MINUTES AFTER
BEING IN COCKPIT THAT ONE OF THE COCKPIT CREW RECEIVED AN INTERPHONE
CALL FROM HIJACKER ADVISING HE COULD NOT LOWER THE LADDER SO THE
PILOT LEVELED THE AIRCRAFT OFF AND REDUCED SPEED. SHE RECALLS
SEEING THE RED LIGHT GO ON THE SECOND OFFICER'S PANEL INDICATING
THE REAR LADDER HAD DROPPED AND WITHIN FIVE MINUTES OF THE FIRST
CALL A SECOND CALL WAS RECEIVED BY ONE OF THE OFFICERS FROM
HIJACKER WHICH WAS THE LAST COMMUNICATION WITH THE HIJACKER.

ON DECEMBER TWO LAST, INVESTIGATION AT PHILADELPHIA INTERNATION-

AL AIRPORT REVEALED THAT THERE IS AN ACCESS PANEL IN THE REAR LADDER.

WELL ON EITHER SIDE OF THE WELL ENABLING MECHANICS TO REACH

EQUIPMENT BETWEEN WELL AND OUTER FUSELAGE OF THE SHIP IN THE TAIL.

THIS PANEL CAN BE OPENED FROM INSIDE THE WELL AND THE

FUSELAGE WITHOUT TOOLS. FACING THE REAR OF THE AIRCRAFT IT IS

NOTED THAT THE AREA BEHIND THE PANEL ON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE WELL

CONTAINS SUFFICIENT ROOM FOR TWO OR THREE MEN TO BE INSIDE. THE

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SAME ROOM IS AVAILABLE BEHIND THE RIGHT PANEL, HOWEVER, A MECHANIC ADVISED THAT THE AIR DUCTS CONTAINED WITHIN THAT WALL WOULD CAUSE THE HEAT INSIDE THE PANEL TO BE TOO HOT FOR MAN TO SURVIVE.

SEATTLE CONSIDER CHECK OF LEFT REAR TAIL PANEL SECTION OF HIJACKED AIRCRAFT TO DETERMINE IF IT IS POSSIBLE THAT HIJACKER MAY HAVE UTILIZED THIS SPACE TO CONCEAL HIMSELF DURING FLIGHT.

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4:30 PM URGENT 12-3-71 SGT

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM LAS VEGAS (164-60)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, SEVENTY-ONE.

CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TEL INSTANT.

INSPECTION PANELS LOCATED NEAR REAR STAIRVAY IN INSTANT FLIGHT WERE REMOVED AND AREAS BEHIND THEM INSPECTED WHILE PLANE WAS AT RENO, NEVADA.

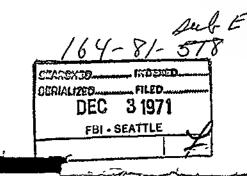
FOLLOWING THE SEARCH OF THE PLANE AND THE DUSTING OF IT FOR FINGERPRINTS THERE WAS A GUARD PLACED AT THE PLANE FOR SECURITY PURPOSES AND THE PLANE WAS "BUTTONED UP" UNTIL JUST BEFORE IT LEFT RENO AT ELEVEN TWO A.M... NOVEMBER TWENTY-FIVE, SEVENTY-ONE. IN ADDITION, THE RESTROOM FACILITIES WERE SEARCHED.

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advised of asked for transmittithough it Commission	Vancouver, , was interviewed at his place of employment, , Vancouver, Washington. He was the identity of the interviewing Agents and was information on the skip name, He admitted that when he is and ing he does use the name for identification is not a name approved by the Federal Communications He pointed out that a number of people use the for identification.	ь6 ь70
in that a	recalled that about one month ago he Washington and did ask her the location of This information to him and he probably used the name at the ontact.	b6 b70
parked is a white	He pointed out that he owns a and is which bears registration number and is Washington. This plane with two colors of green strips running of the aircraft.	ь6 b70
and stated of his place extremely have a lar	was asked if he had been flying on 24, 1971, particularly in, Washington area is that he had not been flying for the headline ane is down and to fly in that condition would be dangerous. He pointed out that his plane does are red light on the top of his tail assembly and not he normally monitors	b6 b70
	volunteered information that he knew of who transmitted as and advised he would secure this individual's name and address.	ъ6 ъ70
he had ide	ancouver, Washington, who works a straight swing and whose phone number is	b6 b70
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12/2/71

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SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka Dan Cooper NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305 PORTLAND TO SEATTLE 11/24/71

CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

00: Seattle

RE: SEARCH AREA

On 12/2/71, SA <u>Case</u> Agent at Minneapolis, advised that of Northwest Airlines had some additional information concerning a possible adjustment to the search area.	ь6 ь7с
On 12/2/71, advised that the hijacked airplane was being flown on automatic pilot during most of the time it was in flight over the State of Washington and on down south.	b6 b7С
advised that because it was automatic pilot the crew might not be able to detect a change in the attitude of the flight caused by a 180-pound man parachuting from the back stairway. However, he advised that he is examining the flight recorder with a microscope which he expects will reveal "little bobs" or anomalies where the automatic pilot has mechanically made an adjustment to maintain the level flight of the aircraft.	ь6 ь7с
He noted that there was a "little bob" at approximately 8:09 p.m. and based on that finding and the fact that the air stairs had gone down sometime earlier, suggested that the search area probably should be extended to the north an additional three miles and to the south as far as the Columbia River. These extensions of the search area would be	b6 b7С
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9:48 PM URGENT 12-2-71 ASW .
TO DIRECTOR .
SEATTLE

FROM WASHINGTON FIELD (164-169) FIVE PAGES

UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR LAST, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO:SE.

RE SACRAMENTO NITEL TO BUREAU DATED DECEMBER ONE LAST.

TODAY, DISCUSSIONS WERE HELD WITH OFFICIALS OF THE

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION (NASA), WASHINGTON,

D.C. (WDC) RELATIVE TO UTILIZATION OF EARTH RESOURCES AIRCRAFT

(ERAC) IN CONFORMANCE WITH INFORMATION CONTAINED IN REFERENCED

NITEL.

MR. BARNEY NOLAN, ERAC PROGRAM DIRECTOR, ADVISED THAT
THE AFOREMENTIONED AIRCRAFT DOES NOT POSSESS ALL THE CAPABILITIES
UTILIZED IN REFERENCED NITEL. MR. NOLAND AND MR. MYRON KRUEGER,
TECHNICAL COORDINATOR OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, AND INTER-AGENCY
AFFAIRS, NASA, SUGGESTED THE FOLLOWING ALTERNATIVES AFTER
CONSIDERATION OF PROBLEMS INVOLVED AND OBJECTIVES OF INSTANT
INVESTIGATION:

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5:29 PM- URGENT /12-2-71 LJQ

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO SEATTLE

SUMMARY TELETYPE.

"OREGONIAN," NEWSPAPER, PORTLAND, OREGON, RECEIVED LETTER SIGNED D.B. COOPER STATING, "AM ALIVE AND DOING WELL IN HOME TOWN PO. THE SYSTEM THAT BEATS THE SYSTEM." BODY OF LETTER IS LETTERING CUT FROM NEWSPAPER OR MAGAZINE. . . ENVELOPE IS HANDPRINTED. ENVELOPE AND LETTER FORWARDED TO FBI LABORATORY WITH COPIES TO SEATTLE.

PRIMARY INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITY THIS DATE CONCENTRATED ON SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF LOOKALIKE LEADS.

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION TO: DATE NEGATIVE.

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2:55 PM URGENT 12-2-71 LXL

TO : SEATTLE (164-81)

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FROM SACRAMENTO (164-50) 2P

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE; NOV. TWENTYFOUR, LAST. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

RE SACRAMENTO TEL, DEC. ONE, LAST.

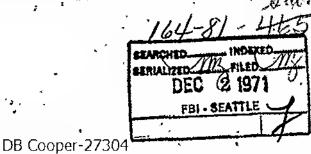
MAP DESCRIBING ROUTE OF FLIGHT CAPTIONED AIRCRAFT OBTAINED FROM FAA, OAKLAND, CALIF., AND FURNISHED NORTHERN CALIF. RESIDENT AGENCIES FOR ASSISTANCE IN SEARCH AND DISSEMINATION TO LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT. NO INDICATION ANY INDIVIDUAL CONNECTED WITH HIJACKING HAS SOUGHT MEDICAL AID ALONG FLIGHT ROUTE:

SACRAMENTO PRESENTLY AWAITING BUREAU AUTHORITY TO EXPEND FUNDS FOR AIRCRAFT TO BE USED FOR SEARCH.

FOR INFO LAS VEGAS, RENO APPROACH CONTROL TOOK OVER DIRECTION OF AIRCRAFT AT PORTOLA, CALIF. FROM FAA, OAKLAND, AT APPROXIMATELY TEN THIRTYFIVE PM, NOV. TWENTYFOUR, LAST.

LAS VEGAS DETERMINE FROM FAA OR RENO AIRPORT OFFICIALS PRECISE

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12/2/71

SA THOMAS J. MANNING

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

Ground search conducted in vicinity of County Road 42 and Peart Road, Clark County, Washington by walking the area. This location is the mid-point of the circle based upon information furnished by Northwest Airlines. Terrain found to have extremely heavy brush in areas which were not open fields. Amount of coverage was 1/3 of a mile by a mile and a half long, with nine Agents utilized in search procedure. Negative Results. Each of the heavily brushed areas were impenatrable.

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A fixed wing aircraft was utilized today, to cover Woodland in a northerly direction to Silver Lake and east to west 20 miles, making a total area of 800 square miles covered with negative results. It was found that this was extremely rough terrain and no sightings were made of any suspicious objects. Further, the Confer Road in the Kalama, Washington area was covered by air with negative results.

wanning advised that last night (12/1//1) at 1:30 Am,
the Sheriff's Office called and said a hitch	hhiker,
	n, said he had
been picked up by a white, m	
red colored, late model foreign car, believe	ed to be a Porshe.
The address he gave them,	, was
non-existent.	,,
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on I-5, caught the Porshe outside of Kalama	high speed chase . The car was
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The hitchhiker claimed there was a sack of	\$20 bills on the
floor of the car.	
SA is going to see	today
(12/1/71). At this time he is not available	·
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TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM SACRAMENTO (164-50) (1P)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR, LAST. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TEL, NOV. THIRTY, LAST, INSTRUCTING SACRAMENTO INSTITUTE SEARCH OF ROUTE TAKEN BY INSTANT AIRCRAFT IN SACRAMENTO DIVISION.

IT IS NOTED ABOVE SEARCH INVOLVES DISTANCE OF APPROXIMATELY.

THREE HUNDRED MILES OVER TERRAIN INACCESSIBLE OTHER THAN BY AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE. ALL AVENUES THOROUGHLY EXHAUSTED IN ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN MILITARY AIRCRAFT FOR SEARCH. MILITARY ADVISES EITHER BECAUSE OF REGULATIONS OR REIMBURSEMENT CONSIDERATIONS AIRCRAFT UNAVAILABLE.

TO FBI. THEREFORE, NECESSARY FUNDS MUST BE AUTHORIZED IN ORDER UTILIZE MILITARY OR PRIVATE AIRCRAFT FOR REQUESTED SEARCH.

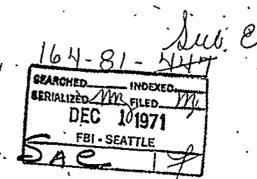
AUTHORITY REQUESTED TO EXPEND FUNDS FOR THIS SEARCH.

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION OO: SEATTLE

on 12/1/71. case agent, Sacramento, called

He said they would have an Air Force plane in the air tomorrow, to search the entire route through California.

I requested that some time this afternoon they send us a teletype to report a summary of what they did today.

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3:35 PM URGENT 12-1-71 LXL

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM SACRAMENTO (164-50) 1P

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,

-NOV. TWENTYFOUR, LAST. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. 00: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TEL, NOV. THIRTY, LAST.

STATE TEL ISSUED THIS DATE SETTING FORTH DETAILS OF CASE,
DESCRIPTION OF UNSUB, AND REQUEST THAT ANY PERTINENT INFO DEVELOPED
BE FURNISHED SACRAMENTO FBI. PERTINENT LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES
COVERING AREA DESCRIBED BY ROUTE OF NORTHWEST FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE
ALREADY COGNIZANT OF THIS MATTER. LIAISON WITH HOSPITALS AND
MEDICAL FACILITIES ALONG ROUTE OF FLIGHT BEING ESTABLISHED SHOULD
UNSUB SEEK ATTENTION FOR POSSIBLE INJURIES.

SACRAMENTO THIS DATE MAKING EFFORTS TO OBTAIN APPROPRIATE TYPE MILITARY AIRCRAFT FOR AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE ALONG FLIGHT PATH AND AERIAL SEARCH WILL BE CONDUCTED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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12/6/71 Date of transcription_ ha Washington, advised that a white male who identified b7C himself as Nevada, rented a house September 27, 1971, which was located on This house was unfurnished and advised he is sure this man never lived in the house for at no time did he ever see him bring anything to the house except a few personal possessions in a late model white Datsum stationwagon. The rent of ____ a month in advance was paid by check, , dated September 27, 1971, drawn on the Nevada, with a transit number of This check had the name of on its face but had no address. [another check in the amount of ___ was paid for the second month rent in advance on October 28, 1971. b6 recalled that this man and a white b7C woman who was with him moved the few belongings they had in the house from the place on November 28, 1971. also advised that this man told him that he had but at no time did in or about the property and further the man told him several untruths for some unexplained reason, one of which he recalled was that were returning to Nevada, and the next day he observed that the woman was still there. He further recalled that this man told him he was unemployed and in reply to questions by whether he 56 could meet the rent of ____ per month, he stated he could. b7C He further advised that no mention was made of any source of income of this individual but the two checks were processed for collection with no problem. b6 advised that he observed this man moving his possessions from the house on November 28, 1971, and is b7C sure that there was no furniture in the boxes. Further, he stated that he is sure the man never lived in the house and has no reason to offer for his having rented it for two months 11/30/71 of Longview, Washington File # SF 164-81 SA THOMAS J. MANNING:bfr 11/30/71 Date dictated___

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Sex: Male Race: White Age: 45 Height: 6'

Weight: 170 pounds

Complexion: Dark

Hair: Sandy dark hair

described the woman as follows:

Sex: Female Race: White Build: Slight Complexion: Dark Height: 5'5"

Weight: 120 pounds

Characteristic: Could be looked upon as of Latin extraction but had no

accent of any type.

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то :

SAC, SEATTLE (16481) (P)

DATE: 11/30/71

FROM

SA THOMAS J. MANNING

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SUBJECT:

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST AIRLINES

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FLIGHT #305,

PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,

11/24/71

CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

00: SEATTLE

Investigation at Longview RA territory, 11/30/71, comisted of contacts with all hospitals, doctor's clinics, in Clark, Cowlitz, Lewis, and Wahkiakum counties, all negative. Doctors and other medical locations being circularized with descriptive information and composite photograph by interested medical authorities.

A four seater helicopter of the Bonneville Power Administration conducting air search in an area 20 X 20 miles with negative results. The three-day use of helicopters and fixed wing aircraft in the prime search area in the opinion of the writer has been completed. No information of value has been uncovered in this aerial surveillance.

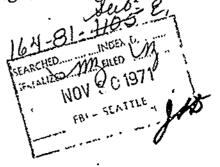
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, has been previously furnished in teletype sent to the Las Vegas Division this date. Close observation of terrain features in the search area composed of 500 square miles and has been flown for three days consists of the following:

Around Lake Merwin in the northern most part of the search area there is a ridge line which averages 1700 feet; running in an east to westerly direction with dense timber, extremely heavy undergroth and few clearings. Proceeding north and east of this location into Cowlitz County the terrain becomes more timbered with heavy growth of underbrush along the flight path

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of the aircraft in Clark County there is some farm and clearings which stands under dense timber in parts in which stands, the undergrowth is heavy. There is a ridge line running north and south on the east side of the seach area.

NORTHWEST AIRLINES

Information secured concerning weather conditions on the night of the hijacking from the Portland International Airport Weather Service reflect that winds at 7,000 feet along the flight path of the aircraft were blowing from the west and were from 25 to 30 mots. Investigation on the ground in the search area reflects that weather conditions, were a wind blowing from the west and a light misty rain falling with wind velocity 10 to 15 khots. Turther information from this weather service reflects a ceiling of 3,000 feet. Abox 500 feet medical signting of the grounds it protected and at 1,500 feet obcasional signting of the grounds it protected medical authorities.

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Around Lake Merwin in the northern most part of the search area there is a ridge line which averages 1700 feet: running in an east to westerly direction with dense timber, extreme? heavy undergroth and few clearings. Proceeding north and cast of this location into Cowlitz County the terrain becomes . Tre timbered with heavy growth of underbrush along the flight path

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT §305, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION OO: SEATTLE BUfile 164-2111

On 11/30/71, the Bureau sent out a new artist's
conception without glasses and requested we show it to
witnesses. Subsequently I called in Division 6.
and told him witnesses did not
see subject's eyes; they saw him only with the dark glasses.
I told him with regard to witness, that this witness
thought the eyes were "good." This witness still maintains
however, that the forehead should be slightly broader; the
nose around the nostrils should be broadened and the cheeks
were to flat and should be made rounder.
more and about one and blue a delations
requested that we send him a teletype
on this and also forward the artist's conception in which our
witness had drawn in his suggested changes. This was done.
threw the following out for our guidance,
instruction and consideration:
Instruction and consideration:
1. He said in our initial teletype, page 5, we have one witness saying that the subject carried a dark colored attache case and a paper bag 4"x12"x18". He wonders if this paper bag could have contained a jump suit and a pair of boots.
2. In the same teletype, there was mention that a
witness scuffled with the subject. I told him that I had
already discussed this with the Agents involved and this was
a wrong choice of words and that the word should have been
"hassel" and that there was actually no scuffle and the
witness had not had to separate the two, but merely stepped in
to and an amount
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3. wanted to know if we had enlisted
hiking clubs and other outdoor groups to aid in the search.
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I told him that we had used only law enforcement personnel; that this was extremly rugged terrain and not the kind of territory you could lay off in a grid and search minutely at arm's length. He said to include in our next teletype something about the terrain.

- 4. He also said to include in our next teletype something about weather conditions in the drop area at the time the drop occurred.
- 5. He also wanted to know if we had given consideration to hiring a professional parachutist or make a simulated drop with a dummy and following it to the ground. He wondered if anything could be gained by such a maneuver.

I pointed out to him that anything we did by way of simulating the conditions would be a very broad approximation since we didn't know exactly where the plane was, assuming that the hijacker did go out at 8:12 PM, when they felt the "oscillation", Since this would vary with such factors as wind direction; which side of the flyway the plane happened to be on at the time, etc. He said he understands this but he would like us to think about it.

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6:35 PM URGENT 11-30-71 AJW

TO:

DIRECTOR (164-2111)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

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UNSUB, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

FOLLOWING IS STATUS OF AIR SEARCH IN OREGON WHICH HAS BEEN COMPLETED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

A SIX MILE CORRIDOR ALONG FLIGHT TRACK AS PLOTTED BY RADAR GENERALLY ALONG VICTOR TWENTYTHREE AIRWAY FOLLOWED BY NWAL FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE BETWEEN PORTLAND AND SALEM WAS ACCOMPLISHED BY USE OF TWO HELICOPTERS COMTAINING THREE ARMY PERSONNEL AND TWO AGENTS EACH AND TWO FIXED WING AIRCRAFT MANNED BY TWO AGENTS EACH. THE SALEMHTO EUGENE LEG WAS COVERED BY SAME TWO HELICOPTERS AND ONE FIXED WING PLANE MANNED BY TWO AGENTS. IN ADDITION, PART OF THE ROUTE (SALEM TO EUGENE AREA) WAS SEARCHED BY BONNEVILLE POWER ADMINISTRATION HELICOPTER PERSONNEL WHO WERE IN VICINITY ON POWER LINE PATROL

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ONE AGENT AND A FAA PILOT IN A FIXED WING AIRCRAFT. FROM
EUGENE SOUTH TO GRANTS PASS AREA WAS COVERED BY ONE AGENT AND
CIVILIAN PILOT IN FIXED WING AIRCRAFT. THE AREA BETWEEN
EUGENE AND MEDFORD IS FORESTED, MOUNTAIN WILDERNESS AND
LARGELY COVERED BY SNOW MAKING ANY FURTHER SEARCH BY AIR
IMPRACTICAL. AIR SERVICES IN THE EUGENE TO MEDFORD AREAS
WHO REGULARLY FLY THIS ROUTE HAVE BEEN ALERTED AND REQUESTED
TO REPORT ANY SIGHTINGS PERTINENT TO THIS CASE.

THE SEARCH NOW COMPLETED BY THIS OFFICE HAS BEEN SEVERELY DELAYED BY STORMY AND LOW CEILING WEATHER.

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TO PORTLAND (164-41)
FROM SEATTLE (164-81) (Å)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SE-ATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION. ©: SE

FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF PORTLAND IN CONDUCTING SEARCH IN THIS MATTER,

NW, MINNEAPOLIS, IN A CONVERSATION WITH THIS OFFICE ON NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE LAST, ADVISED THAT THEY HAVE BEEN PASSING INFORMATION ON TO US BASED ON THE QUOTE PRESSURE BUMP ENQUOTE INDICATING THAT THE MAN HAD JUMPED NORTH OF PORTLAND. HE SAID IT WAS ENTIRELY POSSIBLE THAT THE MAN DID NOT JUMP WHEN THIS PRESSURE BUMP TOOK PLACE. IT WAS ENTIRELY POSSIBLE THAT HE SAT ON THE END OF THE STAIRS TO CHECK OUT HIS REFERENCE POINTS BEFORE HE JUMPED. IF HE DID THIS FOR EVEN A SHORT TIME, HE COULD HAVE EASILY LANDED ACROSS THE RIVER IN OREGON. HE POINTED OUT THIS CONNECTION THAT THERE IS AN AURORA FIELD NEAR DONALD, OREGON. END

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FOREST SERVICE MAKING AVAILABLE AIRCRAFT TODAY AND SEARCH WILL BE MADE ALONG LINE OF FLIGHT IN MEDFORD, OREGON AREA.

SA THOMAS G. ACKERMAN WILL CONDUCT VISUAL INSPECTION FROM AIRCRAFT ON LINE OF FLIGHT IN EUGENE, OREGON AREA TODAY. SEATTLE WILL BE FURNISHED ANY POSITIVE INFORMATION. PENDING.

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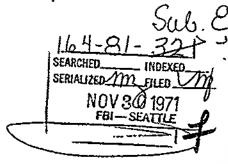
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SUBJECT: UNSUB;

NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305 PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

For record puroses, SA MANNING advised that the military helicopters used at Woodland on 11/26/71 left Gray Field (Fort Lewis) at 6:40 AM, arrived at Woodland at 8:15 AM, were airborne approximately 9:30 AM, came in and refueled once and were relieved and discontinued the air search about 11:30 AM. The airmen went to lunch and departed for Gray Field at 12:45 PM the same day.

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NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305 PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

On 11/29/71 I talked to b6

Northwest Airlines, Minneapolis, Minnesota. b7c

I pointed out to him that I had examined the log of this flight very carefully and it would appear that the area in which we are currently searching is the most logical one to search. However, I was curious to know if the pilot would be able to detect a difference in the trim of the plane, caused by the added weight brought about through the hijacker's descent on the stairway.

said this would very likely be detected by the pilot were it not for the fact that the plane was on "automatic pilot" during the flight, which he described as being a normal procedure. He continued, however, and said he had examined minutely the flight recorder record and was unable to detect any similar occurrence in the airplane at the site we are presently searching. He advised that in view of this very likely there would be no other logical place to commence a search at this time.

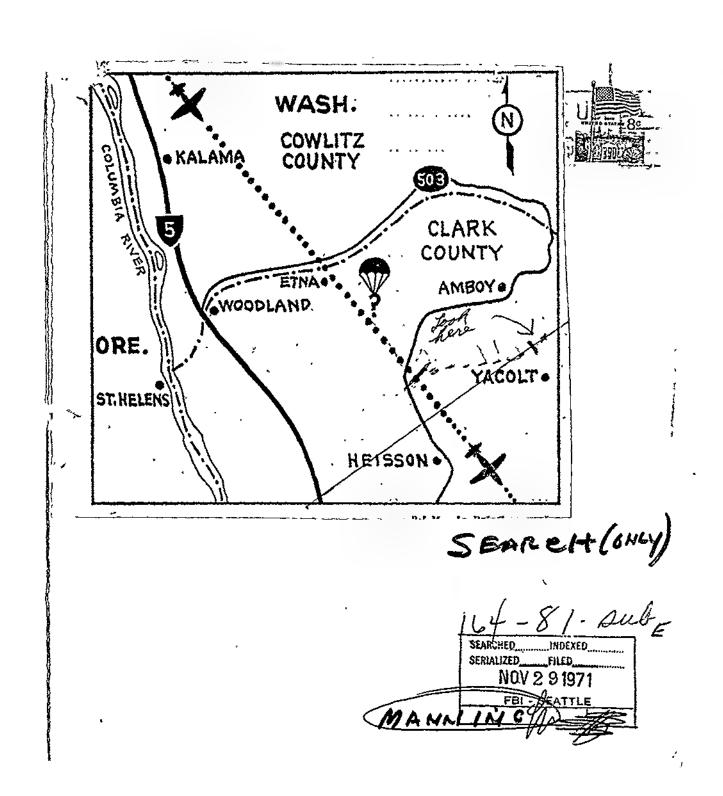
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FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;

NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305 PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

SA HENRY SHUTZ called from the Bureau on 11/29/71.

He advised that it had been suggested that we place a stop with the doctors and hospitals in the pertinent area so that if anyone came in injured, we would know about it.

This should be done.

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FROM :	SAC J. E. MILNES	ee-	jo b
SUBJECT:	UNSUB; Northwest Airlines Flight #305 Portland to Seattle 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORT	ec-	PARACHUTAL SEARCA
	RE: Suspect		, p

On November 29, 1971, SA at the Bureau called. SA wanted to know the results of the display of the photograph to the witnesses.

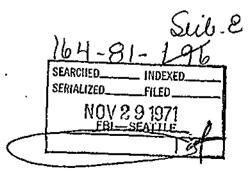
I told him that the Minneapolis Office had been asked on November 27 to accomplish this immediately and had just finished talking to them and they were going to get it done.

SA ______ then wanted to know if the Bureau could say positively that one of the parachutes was inoperable. I told him there was no doubt about it, but if he wanted a piece of paper on it I would prepare one.

I told him we were contining ground search but the weather made it impossible to fly down there today.

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	, Washington,
advised he	heard a large aircraft fly over his home about
8:10 PM or	November 24, 1971, during a driving rainstorm.
The plane	was traveling toward Portland, Oregon.

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, advised that on	
November 24, 1971, at about 8:15 p.m. he heard a large plant	ane
fly over his He stated that the plane was	
extremely low and sounded as though it was stalling out as	nd
then started to operate correctly. He stated that the win	nd
vas coming from the west at about 15 miles per hour and i	t
vas raining hard. He added that the elevation where his	_
is located is about .	

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advised that no one landed	b7c
	er 24, 197. She added
that she did not see any airplanes c	ircling in the general
vicinity on November	24, 1971. She added that
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stated that he and during the afternoon hours of November 24, 1971, and that he observed a small low wing airplane, white in color, with a brownish blue strip running from the front of the plane to the rear bearing the prefix letters and some number on the bottom of one wing, circling low over the general area of Washington. He stated that the plane continued to fly over the area all afternoon and into the evening and that he last saw it around 8:00 PM.	Ъ6 Ъ7С
He stated that after dark the plane turned on a greenish colored light in front and a red light on the tail. He stated that he paid close attention to the plane as he was	ъ6
He stated that he saw the same plane in the same general area about one month ago. He said it was a low wing model plane. He did not see the plane land.	ь7С

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Washington, advised she saw a small airplane circling extremely low	
November 24, 1971, between 8:00 PM and 8:30 PM. She ad	ivised
that the airplane had a large red light on the tail and	d that
she could provide no further information or description	n. She
also advised she did not see the plane land and that \Box	
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, Washington,	b6
advised that on November 24, 1971, shortly after 5:00 PM, he	b7C
observed a small metallic colored airplane circling low over	
the general area of his home. He described the plane as	
powerful, noisy, tail dragger, two seater, and with a large	
red light on the tail. He added that the plane was low enough	
to the ground and close enough to him that he could see one	
person in the plane who he stated was a male. He stated that	
, told him the plane had been circling in this	
area for a short period of time prior to 5:00 PM. He added	
that heleft their house for a short period of	
time and returned shortly after 8:00 PM and that the small	
plane was again circling in the general area near his house.	
He stated that he could tell it was the same plane by the	
noise it made and the large red tail light.	
norse it made and the range led tail light.	
He stated that the last time he saw the plane was a	
little after 8:00 PM when the pilot turned on the landing	
light and appeared to be making a landing. He did not see the	
plane land. stated that he knows the time was a little	b6
after 8:00 PM because he had hurried home to see a television	b7C
show which started at 8:00 PM and that the show had already	570
show which Started at 6:00 FM and that the show had already	
started. He stated he could not recall the name of the show	
because he had directed his attention to the airplane which	
had been circling his house. He stated that he was aggravated	
by the plane circling low over his house and that is why he	
can recall the details so clearly.	

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Washington, stated that she heard a small plane circling over her residence prior to 5:00 PM on November 24, 1971, and that when arrived home shortly after 5:00 PM she told him that the plane had been circling low over the area for some time. She stated that then paid close attention to the plane until they left their residence for a short time returning shortly after 8:00 PM at which time the plane was again observed circling in the general area behind their home She
November 24, 1971, from about 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM, a white car with a white male occupant was parked about
She stated that because she was alone in the house
, she became nervous having
someone park so close
. She stated that she
observed the occupant of the car through her field glasses. She stated that the occupant was a white male
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She stated that the same car returned on November 25, 1971, and parked in the same place from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM.

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, Washington,
advised that sometime around the first of October, she was
contacted on by a person
who identified himself as She stated that
is a skip name and that she does not know his true
identity. She added that made inquiries regarding
the location ofin the general area of,
Washington. She stated that she gave specific
information concerning the location of
, Washington. She added that
saw a small airplane circling low over
the general area of , Washington, on November 24, 1971,
and that he could provide a partial registration number
which was on the wing of the airplane.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/27/71

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;

N.W. Airlines Flight #305,

11/24/71

CAA - HIJACKING;

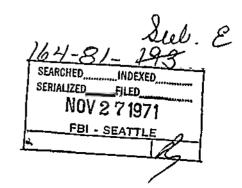
EXTORTION

00: Seattle

At 6:10 PM, 11/27/71, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Seattle, phone
, advised he was when he noticed
two cars, and two individuals transferring something from
one of the cars to the other car. This was about 6:00 AM,
11/26/71, in an area, Washington,
and occurring in a place where no vehicles usually go be-
cause of the swampy terrain and woody areabelieves
this may have something to do with the recent hijack and
provided the information to us for further reference.

did not see what the two individuals looked like or the makes of the vehicles because of the darkness. He could not describe the matter being transferred for the same reason.

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	Date: 11/26/71	
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a	TELETYPE URGENT (
	(Priority) CC - CIUCSE	
	TO: DIRECTOR, FBI SENES, F	
	FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (-P-) - PARACH !) .
	UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305, PORTLAND TO	
	SEATTLE, 11/24/71, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. 00: SE.	
	AIR SEARCH CONDUCTED IN AREA WHERE HIJACKER	
	BELIEVED TO HAVE LEFT PLANE, UTILIZING TWO ARMY HELICOPTERS	
	FROM GRAY FIELD; ONE WEYERHAUSER COMPANY HELICOPTER AND ONE	
	BONNEVILLE POWER ADM., HELICOPTER. FOR PURPOSE OF SEARCH,	
	AREA WAS DIVIDED INTO SIX SECTIONS AND DUE TO WEATHER	
	CONDITIONS, ONLY THREE WERE COVERED TODAY. SEARCH WAS	
	NEGATIVE. A LIMITED GROUND SEARCH ALSO CONDUCTED WHICH WAS	
	NEGATIVE, EXCEPT FOR TWO PHOTVIDUALS IN THE NORTHEAST	
	QUADRANT OF THE SEARCH AREA, WHERE TWO INDIVIDUALS MADE	:
	COMMENTS CONCERNING A LOW FLYING AIRPLANE AT THE PERTINENT	
	TIME, BUT SAW NOTHING DROPPING FROM PLANE.	,
	. REDALLVA TO BODELCT FINOTO	ь6 ь7с
	DISPLAYED WITH OTHERS, TO WITNESS WN.,	
	SEATTLE,/WHO ADVISED PHOTO OF DEFINITELY NOT	
	IDENTICAL. HE STATED HIJACKER HAD A MUCH BROADER FACE AND	,
	NOSE. PHOTO OF BEING DISPLAYED TO OTHER WITNESSES.	
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Special Agentin Charge

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Date of transcription 11/29/71 b6 b7C Washington, furnished the following information: was home during the evening of b6 November 24, 1971 and heard a jet plane going over his house ь7с sometime during the evening at approximately 9:00 p.m., although the exact time was not known. This aircraft was extremely loud and sounded as if it were flying very low. did not bother to get up and make an attempt to see the aircraft as he felt he would not be able to see anything due to the darkness. thought that this was someone flying b6 in to land at Portland. Aircraft landing at Portland frequently b7C are placed in a holding pattern in this neighborhood. stated that This jet was headed south and slightly east at an altitude that was unknown although it was low enough and loud enough to shake the house.

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3:47 PM URGENT 11-28-71 BLB

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) P

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UNSUB: NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTY ONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION OO: SEATTLE.

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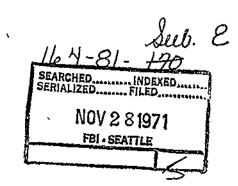
NORTHWEST AIRLINES, MINNEAPOLIS TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THIS DATE
THAT INFLIGHT RECORDER READINGS FROM SUBJECT AIRCRAFT INDICATE THE
POSSIBILITY THAT UNSUB TOUCHED GROUND THREE (3) STATUTE MILES EAST
NORTHEAST OF LA CENTER, WASHINGTON ON A BEARING ZERO EIGHT ZERO
DEGREES TRUE.

STATED THAT HE WAS IMMEDIATELY FURNISHING THIS INFORMATION TELEPHONICALLY TO FBI SEATTLE.

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11/28/71

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ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305 PORTLAND TO SEATTLE 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION OO: Seattle 281

called twice on the afternoon of November 28, 1971. The first time he advised that he had checked on possible information and believed that a more accurate pin-pointing of the possible place of descent of the hijacker would be three statute miles east northeast of LaCenter, Washington, on a bearing of 080 degrees, true. He said the center of the circle would depend on the clock being a few seconds off one way or the other or the Unsub falling free before he opened the chute. However, he would estimate that a circle with a three-mile radius from the point described above should come close to the place of descent.

He called back subsequently and said that he had talked to the man who was working the radar at Portland which was very accurate since it was very close to the plane at the time and determined that the plane was actually one to two miles east of the center of this particular fly-way. He said for this reason, we might consider moving the center of the circle described above one or two miles due east.

This information was furnished to SA MANNING on November 28, 1971. He was instructed to make certain that this area was thoroughly searched and to consider air coverage on November 29, 1971.

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TO SEATTLE (164-81)

RE URTEL NOVEMBER TWENTYSIX LAST.

FROM MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND
TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING;
EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

THAT ALL LIGHTS EXCEPT NAVIGATIONAL LIGHTS WERE OFF SHORTLY

AFTER TAKE OFF OUT OF SEATTLE. AT NO TIME DID THEY FLASH THEIR

LIGHTS ON AND OFF DURING THE HIJACKING. ADVISED THAT

THEIR FLIGHT PATH WOULD HAVE BEEN APPROXIMATELY SEVEN NAUTICAL

MILES FROM AMBOY, WASHINGTON AND THE PLANE WAS AT TEN THOUSAND

FEET INDICATED EIGHT THOUSAND ABOVE GROUND, FLYING IN CLOUDS.

THE FLASHING RADIO BEACON AT KALAMA, WASHINGTON WAS NOT OBSERVED

SINCE THEY WERE IN THE SOUP, ON INSTRUMENTS.

ADVISED CONTACTING THE PILOTS OF THE CHASE

AIRCRAFT TO DETERMINE THEIR ALTITUDES AND LOCATION AT THIS TIME.

ADVISED THAT THE REASON THEY NEVER FLASHED THEIR

LIGHTS ON AND OFF WAS THEY NEVER WERE SURE HE WASN'T STILL ON

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MRØ13 SF PLAIN

11:40 PM URGENT 11/26/71 DCA

TO MINNEAPOLIS

FPOM SEATTLE (164-81) 1P

INSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLIMES FLIGHT NO. THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO STATILT, NOVEMBER THENTYFOUP, SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

DURING SEARCH TODAY MITNESS MEAR AMBOY, WASHIMSTON, PECALLS THAT AT APPROXIMATELY EIGHT PM, TWENTYFOURTH INSTANT, HE RECALLS A LOW FLYING JET PLANE FLYING SOUTH AT AN UNUSUALLY LOW ALTITUDE AND THAT ALL LIGHTS, INCLUDING NAVIGATION AND CABIN LIGHTS WERE GOING ON AND OFF.

INTERVIEW MEMBERS OF CREW TO DETERMINE IF THIS AIRCRAFT WAS
THE HIJACKED AIRCPAFT. INTERVIEW CREW FURTHER TO DETERMING WHETHEP
THEY HAD ANY VISUAL SITINGS OR LANDMARKS AT THE TIME SUBJECT IS
BELIEVED TO HAVE EXITED AIRPLANE, NOTING THAT A FLASHING PADIO
BEACON AT KALAMA, WASHINGTON, COULD WELL HAVE BEEN VIEWED BY THEM
AT ABOUT THIS TIME.

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Sus.E. 164-81-190 SAC, PORTLAND

November 26, 1971

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

UNSUB; HORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 0305 PORTLAND TO SEATTLE 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

00: Seattle

There is attached a map which has been prepared by the Air Force chowing the route taken by the airplane from Scattle to the California - Oregon line.

- 2 Portland (Enc.1)
- 2 Las Vegas (Enc.1)
- 2 Seattle JEM/cjw (6)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE:

11/26/71

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

SUBJECT: UNSUB;

NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305

PORTLAND TO SEATTLE

11/24/71

CAA - HIJACKING/ EXTORTION

On 11/26/A at 8:30 AM I called ASAC RUEHL in Portland, told him about the matter of the military helicopters and asked him to have someone contact the Bonneville Power Administration at once, see if they would let us use 2 or 3 of their helicopters in this search.

In addition, I told him to arrange to have 500 gallons of jet fuel (JP-4) delivered to the Pearson Air Park in Vancouver, Washington, so it could be used as fuel for the helicopters.

I furnished to him SA MANNING's telephone number at Woodland (225-2741 or 225-2731.

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FILE (164-81)

November 26, 1971

SAC J. E. MILNES

UNSUB; Northwest Airlines Flight #305 Portland to Seattle 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

00: Seattle

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called and advised that the Sixth Army Headquarters in San Francisco wanted to know why the helicopters were being relieved. Itold him that the Army in Washington had informed us the cost would be approximately \$250 per hour per unit, and that I thought the charge was excessive and that we could get the same service for either nothing or substantially less, and we were relieving them for that purpose. He wanted to know when they departed Woodland and when they expected to arrive at Fort Lewis. I told him I would let him know.

(2)- Seattle JEM/cjw (2)

At 12:05 p.m., I called in office. I advised him that the helicopters had been relieved between 10:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. The pilots were eating lunch. They were weathered in and weather permitting they will return to Fort Lewis after lunch.

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GAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

SAC J. E. HILMES

UNSUB; NORTHWEST PLIGHT 305 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKENG; EXTORTION (GQ:SE)

On November 26, 1971, at 2:15 p.m., I talked to SAC MATSON regarding the air search of the area from Portland to Eugene, Oregon, and pointed out to him that we were through with the air search in the area in Washington, and I had Eugested to SA MANNING that he have the Bonneville Power Administration and the Weyerhauser Helicopter Pilots contacted to see if they would be willing to assist in the air search in Oregon. If so, then I told him to contact SAC MATSON. SAC MATSON advised that the weather south of Portland now is closing in very rapidly and it did not appear feasible to conduct an air search now, but that they would do it at the first opportunity.

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11/27/71

SAC J. E. MILNES

UNSUE; MORTHWEST AIRLINES MLIGHT 305 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING METORTION (00:00)

SA C. MATSON advised me at 4:05 p.m. on November 26, 1971, that they had made arrangements for two helicopters from the Army Reserve and two light planes to fly the search pattern temorrow from portland to Eugene, weather permitting.

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FILE (164-81)

November 26, 1971

SAC J. E. MILNES

UNSUB; Northwest Airlines Flight #305 Portland to Seattle 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

00: Seattle

At 10:30 AM I advised SA MANNING that one helicopter from the BPA, two from the Air National Guard in Portland were on their way to Woodland now; that those three, together with the one supplied by Weyerhaueser seemed to me to be enough and in view of this he should advise Army pilots that they were being relieved. I furnished this information to SA at the Bureau and told b6 him that since we would very likely have to pay for them b7c anyway pending the decision as to whether we would continue their use, we utilize them but were in the process of relieving them at once. I furnished him the details of the replacement helicopters.

advised him that since we had found other helicopters we were relieving his men and thanked them very much.

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November 26, 1971

SAC J. E. MILNES

UNSUB; Northwest Airlines Flight 305 Portland to Seattle 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

On November 25, 1971, at 3:55 PM, I called SA ROBERT PETERSON at the Bureau. I told him that since the Army would not furnish any helicopters, the Navy at Whidbey Island NAS, Oak Harbor, had agreed to furnish two which could be used if permission was obtained from National Military Command Center in Washington, D. C. I asked him to make this request.

		At	6:20	PM, SA	PETERSO	N call	ed and	advi	sed t	hat
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Army	at F	ort	Lewis	would	furnish	two he	elicop	ters;	howe	ver,
they	woul	d ne	ed "J	P. 4"	fuel.	I told	him t	his c	ould	be
arra	nged.									

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A from Fort Lewis then called at 8:15 and advised two helicopters would be at the Woodland air strip approximately one hour after dawn, weather permitting.

I told him that they should meet SA MANNING at that point who would brief them on the search to be conducted.

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MRØØ2 MP PLAIN 1159 AM URGENT 11-26-71 JMJ TO DIRECTOR PORTLAND SEATTLE FROM MINNEAPOLIS (164-NEW) 3P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWO FIVE, NINETEEN SEVEN ONE, CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

RE MINNEAPOLIS TELETYPES TO DIRECTOR AND SACS NOVEMBER TWO FIVE, LAST, AND MINNEAPOLIS TELEPHONE CALLS TO SEATTLE AND PORTLAND, NOVEMBER TWO FIVE, LAST.

NORTHWEST

AIRLINES, BASED ON REVIEW OF NOTES MAINTAINED WHILE IN COMMUNICATION WITH HIJACKED AIRCRAFT FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PLUS MATHEMATICAL COMPUTATION, ADVISES POSSIBLE AREA OF LANDING OF HIJACKER COULD BE EITHER SIDE OF A LINE BETWEEN TWO POINTS: THE FIRST POINT BEING APPROXIMATELY TWO MILES SOUTH SOUTHWEST OF THE FACE OF THE DAM ON LAKE MERWIN, WASHINGTON; WITH THE SECOND POINT BEING A POINT ONE MILE END PAGE ONE

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WORTH NORTHWEST OF HEISSON, WASHINGTON. THESE COMPUTATIONS WERE ARRIVED AT BASED ON THE ALTITUDE, DIRECTION AND SPEED OF THE AIRCRAFT WHICH WAS THEN FLYING VECTOR BETWEEN SEATTLE AND PORTLAND WHEN A PRESSURE BUMP AND OSCELATION OF THE AIRCRAFT WAS NOTED BY THE CREW. TO THOSE FAMILIAR WITH THE AIRCRAFT, IT WOULD INDICATE THE REAR DOOR WAS OPENED, CAUSING THE PRESSURE TO DROP AND WOULD BE A VERY LIKELY TIME FOR UNSUB'S DEPARTURE FROM THE AIRCRAFT.

HIS NOTES INDICATE THAT AT MINNEAPOLIS TIME TWENTY ONE FORTY ONE A STEWARDESS WAS ORDERED TO THE COCKPIT BY THE HIJACKER. AT TWENTY ONE FORTY TWO THE HIJACKER ADVISED BY INTER-PHONE THAT HE WAS HAVING DIFFICULTY GETTING STEPS DOWN. AT TWENTY TWO ZERO FIVE THE COCKPIT WAS IN COMMUNICATION WITH THE HIJACKER, AND AT TWENTY TWO TEN THE PRESSURE BUMP AND OSCELATION OCCURRED. NO FURTHER COMMUNICATION WAS HAD WITH THE UNSUB SUBSEQUENT TO THIS TIME.

MP 164- NEW	
PAGE THREE	
was informed by portland airport,	ь6 ь7
THAT TWO CHASE PLANES WHICH WERE FOLLOWING FIVE MILES BEHIND	2.
HIJACKED AIRCRAFT SUDDENLY VEERED TO THE EAST AND THEREAFTER	
MADE A RIGHT TURN. THE POINT OF THEIR CHANGE OF COURSE WOULD	
HAVE BEEN IN CLOSE PROXIMITY IN TIME AND LOCATION TO THAT	
BELIEVED WHERE UNSUB DEPARTED THE AIRCRAFT.	
ALSO POINTED OUT THERE IS A SMALL AIR FIELD	ь6 ь7
SUITABLE FOR PARACHUTE JUMPING AND SO MARKED ON A SECTIONAL	,
MAP IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO AREA WHERE UNSUB IS BELIEVED TO	
HAVE DEPARTED THE AIRCRAFT.	
PENDING	
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©RR PG ONE LN FOUR LAST NAME SHD BE	b6 b7

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11/25/71

SAC, SEATTLE (164-new)

SA MAX L. WILSON

UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305, 11/24/71 CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

SRA THOMAS MANNING later advised that Weihouser would have two "choppers" coming from Tacoma to the Woodland, Wn., airport at dawn tomorrow. Also the US Forest Service would have a small chopper there. He asked that the US Navy choppers meet them at the same airport. To reach him through the Woodland PD ask the operator for the Woodland City Hall number.

According to him a high wind was blowing at Merwin Dam last night. At about 11:30Pm there was a burglary of a grocery store located roughly 10 miles South of the dam. Survival rations were taken including beef jerky, cigarettes, gloves, etc. The person who broke in was wearing military type boots with a corregated sole.

Local lawenforcement in the area has been alerted and neighborhoods are being conducted starting the vicinity of this burglarized grocery.

MANNING will coordinate with Portland.

Memorandum

TO

SAC, SEATTLE

164 New

DATE: 11/25/71

FROM:

SA REESE H. CHIPMAN

SUBJECT:

Unsubx: NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305,

MEMORANDUM number 3

November 24, 1971.

CAA - HIJACKING : KIEN EXTORTION

Re: Memorandum No 2, this date of SA CHIPMAN setting forth instructions received from . Div 6, Bureau.

SAC was advised of above instructions and instructed following

be done

RE No 1 Telephone NorthWest Airlines Flight
Operations Office CH-2-2140, or at home Tel

A - Ascertain from him who can furnish the flight route of Flight 305

B - Then contact SA _____, Tacoma RA and have him arrange if b6 possible for helicopter to survey the above mentioned route b7c with an Agent _____ aboard .

RE No 2. Bureau request re preparation of FD 388 forms with respect to each witness. Contact Mr. BIBLER who is to handle.

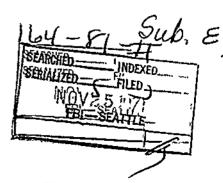
Re No 3. Re Submission of data concerning recorded Money.

Read Section 66, Volume 3, M of I, Pages Re Kidnapping - "Ransom Money, See pages 10,11 and 11A.

Advise Mr. MILNES what instructions are.

See note on Original Copy-





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WASHINGTON-A young Vancouver, Wash., family on an outing have believed that Cooper died in his along the Columbia River last Sunday plunge from the Boeing 727 because suddenly stumbled across 12 stacks of he was wearing only a business suit moldering money—part of the \$200, and street shoes when he jumped into 000 that the notorious airline hijacker a howling wind and freezing rain in "D. B. Cooper" made off with more an unreliable parachute. It has been than eight years ago, the FBI said estimated that he hit the ground at a Tuesday.

traced definitely to the Cooper loot, boarded the jetliner in Portland for an 30 agents from the Portland and evening flight to Seattle. Once air-Seattle FBI offices have begun an ex-iborne, he demanded that the airline tensive search of the area for more of have \$200,000 in \$20 bills and three the money-and possibly for some parachutes on hand when the plane sign of Cooper or, more likely, his re-landed in Seattle. He threatened to m_{8m_8}

The money-"several thousand were not met. dollars," according to one officialwas found in Washington about five miles northwest of the Interstate 5| The airline complied, providing the bridge that spans the Columbia and parachutes and money. However, the separates Washington from Oregon, FBI said Tuesday that the serial FBI agent William M. Baker told a numbers of the bills had been recordnews conference in Portland.

Discovery of the money by Harold Dwayne Ingram, 27, his wife, Patricia. 26, and their sons, 8 and 3, marked the latest twist in the bizarre saga of the now-legendary Cooper, who parachuted from a Northwest Airlines open the plane's rear stairway. jetliner on Thanksgiving Eve, 1971, never to be seen or heard from again. said. But there was "no trace of D. B. chute. Cooper," according to the agency.

A private club was named in his build a fire. honor, D. B. Cooper T-shirts were run off and anniversary parties were son as saying. held.

Baker said in Portland that whether Cooper got away with the rest of the money was an open question.

Law enforcement authorities ions uesday. speed of 50 to 70 m.p.h. With the bills now having been! The saga began when "Cooper"

blow up the plane if his demands

Cooper permitted the airliner's 36 passengers to leave the plane in Seatile. He then ordered the crew to take the plane to Reno and told the pilot to fly at a relatively low altitude and to

Crew members last heard his voice on the plane's intercom when they When found by the Ingrams, the were over the Washington-Oregon stacks of \$20 bills were bound by de-border. They said they believe he composing rubber bands, the FBI jumped, using the least reliable para-

The decomposed money was found Shortly after the hijacking, a cult 17 to 20 miles from the jump site by sprang up around D. B. Cooper, a the Ingrams' older son, Brian. The name that never has been traced to bills were partly buried in sand that its origins.

"Here's some more wood for the manufactured, bumper stickers were fire Deddy," the father recalled his

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"It wasn't wood," ingram sald. "He (Brian) thought he had struck it rich."

Ingram said he assumed the bills might be part of the Cooper money. He turned them over to the FBI, adding with a smile that they were so decomposed, "I couldn't have spent it."

In leafing through the rotting bills, Baker said, the FBI made about "nine or 10 immediate hits"—matches with the numbers of the missing money. The bills were flown to Washington for further analysis and tests by the FBI laboratory.

for further analysis and tests by the FBI laboratory.

An FBI official said the packaging and number sequence of the recovered bills indicated they had not been separated and "are in much the same order as when they were given to the hijacker."

The initial search, confined to an area several hundred yards long and 40 yards wide, turned up "fragments of more money"—nothing more, Baker said. He said the money appeared to have washed up on the bank.

Once that search is completed, probably by this afternoon, a scaled-down number of agents will move upstream, continuing the hunt.

Law enforcement officials in the Pacific Northwest have theorized that Cooper's body is at the bottom of Lake Merwin, 30 miles north of Portland, or that his bones are so entangled in giant wild blackberry bushes that they will never be found.

Ralph Himmelsbach, the FBI agent who has worked on the hijacking since it took place, said the money probably had been washed downstream from a Columbia tributary in Washington. But he said he doubted that it came from the Lewis River, the tributary that flows out of Lake Merwin.

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William M. Baker, assistant agent

Twelve packets of \$20 in charge of the Portland FBI billis, used eight years office, said discovery of the money ago as part of the \$200, lends credence to the FBI theory 000 paid to airline hijacker "D.B. that Cooper died in the hijacking Cooper," have been found on a attempt. Columbia River beach near here,

Wash.

the FBI announced yesterday. Patricia, 26, and their two sons, ings for cash have been carried out were picnicking on what is known since the Cooper escapade. as Tena's Bar last Sunday when Baker said the FBI could not be

helping his father gather firewood and had scooped out sand for a FBI laboratory in Washington, fire. As his father was about to D.C., and Baker hopes the lab will drop an armicad of wood, young be able to pick fingerprints off the Ingram said, I'Wait a minute, bills, which could lead to the Daddy."

Recalling his find yesterday. "That would Brian said, "I seen that money, I break." he said.

thought, wow."

But his parents remained calm, the son recalled. They thought it

young ingram found were the first to be recovered by law enforcement agencies since Nov. 24, 1971, when a passenger hijacked a Northwest Airlines Boeing 727.

The man, identified on the flight list as Dan Cooper, parachuted out of the airliner somewhere over southwestern Washington.

The serial numbers on the bills discovered by young Ingram matched those on the money given Cooper by the FBI in 1971.

Cooper's extortion effort was the first time a jet had been hijacked Harold D. Ingram, 27, his wife, for ransom. A number of hijack-

their older son discovered the certain how much money was in noney. the packets, but said it amounted Eight-year-old Brian Ingram was to "several thousand dollars."

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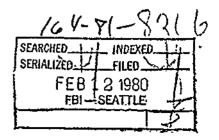
BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (FBI) FOR WASHINGTON, HAS ANNOUNCED A

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FLIGHT 305 FROM PORTLAND, OREGON, TO SEATTLE, WASHINGTON. UPON
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THAT HE WAS HIJACKING THE AIRCRAFT AND DISPLAYED TO HER WHAT HE SAID
WAS A BOMB IN HIS BRIEFCASE. THE FLIGHT PROCEEDED TO SEATTLE, WHERE
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Arthur G. Barger, Special Agent in Charge of the Pederal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) for Oregon, has announced a development in a crime which began on the night of November 24, 1971, at Portland International Airport, Portland, Oregon, and has become widely known since that time as the D. B. Cooper Hijacking Case.

On the night before Thanksgiving, 1971, a man who gave the name ban Cooper bought a one-way ticket on Northwest Airlines Flight 305 from Portland, Oregon, to Scattle, Washington.

Upon departing Portland International Airport, Cooper notified a stewardess that he was hijacking the aircraft and displayed to her what he said was a bomb in his briefcase. The flight proceeded to Scattle, where after maintaining a holding pattern for several hours, it was permitted to land and refuel. After \$200,000 and four parachutes demanded by the hijacker were brought on board, he released all of the passengers and all but four members of the crew. The flight then took off and proceeded south through Washington toward Reno, Nevada. The hijacker instructed that the flaps and gear remain lowered and the rear stair door open. As the aircraft passed over LaCenter, Washington, cabin

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pressure fluctuation we observed, which was later otermined to indicate his departure from the aircraft through the rear stairwell door. Since that the no trace of the hijacker, the parachutes, or the money has been found until Sunday, . Pebruary 10, 1980.

On that date while on an outing with their children, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dwayne Ingram of Vancouver, Washington, discovered a sum of money partially buried by sand in the north river bank of the Columbia River, approximately five miles down river from the U.S. Interstate 5 bridge crossing between Portland and Vancouver, Washington. The Ingrams contacted the FBI and an examination of the badly decomposed \$20 bills reveals that they bear serial numbers identical to a portion of those given to the hijacker. Because of the decomposed nature of the bills an exact estimate of the recovered money is not possible pending a laboratory examination, however, it appears to be several thousand dollars. The packaging and the numbered sequence indicate that the bills have not been separated and are in much the same order as when given to the hijacker. The bills will be sent immediately to the PBI Laboratory for additional examination.

It appears logical that the package of bills could have been carried downstream on one of the Washington tributaries of the Columbia River to the site where they were found.

Special Agents of the PBI from Oregon and Washington have secured the area and commenced an intensive search.

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	For information, on 2/20/80, , Vancouver, Washington, phone number , was contacted and she advised that the Tena Bar area in Vancouver, near the location searched by the FBI for ransom money. happened to find a corner of a \$20.00 bill, and she would allow agents of the FBI to examine same.	ь6 ь7
	On 2/20/80,, supra, and, were contacted at their residence, and, displayed a corner of a \$20.00 bill which he found on the Tena Bar. He stated that he found this item sticking out of the sand near the area searched by the FBI. He provided the corner of the \$20.00 bill to the writer to determine if in fact it is a portion of the ransom money.	ъ6 ъ7
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	The corner of the \$20.00 bill provided by in no way resembles the sections of money found during the search on Tena Bar. It is the opinion of the writer that this item was placed there as a practical joke. The section of the \$20.00 bill provided by has been placed in a lA envelope for the file.	ь6 ь7
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Later that same day, ________, supra, provided the serial numbers and series/year of the seven \$20 bills mentioned above. The serial numbers and series/years are as follows:

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G94889488C	1950D
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L97448B	1950B :
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A check with the list of known serial numbers and series/year of the D. B. Cooper \$20 bills revealed the above serial numbers and series/years did not match those in the list.

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story first appeared in the paper, they said.

allegedly is behind in payments for his car.

that car until the 20th of next month."

said Thursday. "And I feel pretty unlucky. I'm not angry; I'm kind of hurt. I really care what people think about me."

"I had no idea I had a warrant on me," he said. "That's obvious, or I wouldn't be

He might have been late with a payment or two, he said, "but rich people do that, too,

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By CYNTHIA TANK Columbian Staff Writer

"I hate to think the thoughts people will be thinking about me all over the United States," said Harold Dwayne Ingram as he sat in his boss's office Thursday afternoon.

The 28-year-old Vancouver resident said he now regrets his 8-year-old son. Brian's finding of D.B. Cooper's hijack ransom money last

"I regret it for myself, but not for Brian," who, he said, has enjoyed all the attention.

Brian and his family made national headlines after a family outing on a Columbia River beach near Vancouver Feb. 10 turned into a major media and FBI event. Brian was preparing a campfire when he scooped out about \$5,000 of the \$200,000 Cooper had demanded and received before jumping out of an airliner in 1971.

Since last month Ingram has:

O Lost 11/2 days pay - about \$100 - in order to return the money and attend an FBI press conference.

O Watched as a fire caused about \$1,000 damage to the upper floor of his home at 1500 Markle St. Saturday.

O Been arrested Monday on an Oklahoma warrant alleging he left that state unlawfully

Officials in Oklahoma said they recognized Ingram from newspaper photographs that appeared after the famous find, Ingram had been wanted for about six months before the

The warrant was issued because Ingram

"I have every receipt," Ingram said Thursday. "I don't have a payment due on

"I feel confused, really confused," Ingram

Ingram said he bought his car from a new car salesman, paid \$200 or \$300 down, and arranged for financing. He said he notified the finance company when he and his family moved here from Oklahoma last winter.

His arrest Monday was an unhappy surprise, he said.

flashing my face all over the world."

don't they?"

But things were looking up for Ingram

today. His boss and attorney, Joe Tanner, . said this morning he has been told by the Pittsburg County, Okla., district attorney that that office now has verification of Ingram's car payments. Ingram, in fact, is paid ahead to July on the car, Tanner said.

Tanner said a few details need to be worked out, but when they are the district attorney has told him the charges will be dropped. That will not occur until Monday, Tanner said he was told. The district attorney was unavailable for comment this morning.

As for Ingram's other bad fortune, just before midnight Saturday, two bedrooms on the upper floor burned, and his landlord who bailed him out of jail Tuesday - started remodeling the next day.

Tanner, vice president of U-Cart Concrete Systems Inc. of Vancouver, where Ingram is employed, said the company is behind him. Tanner, a lawyer, said he will represent Ingram without charge.

Until the charges against him are dropped, Ingram faces an April 17 identification hearing in Clark County District Court.

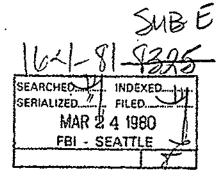
"These people are great here," Ingram! said of his fellow employees. "They want to back me 100 percent.

"He's been treated unfairly," Tanner said. 🖟

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By MYRON STRUCK States News Service

WASHINGTON - Did D.B. Cooper land in, or near, the Washougal River rather than the Lewis River?

In the personal opinion of the chief FBI geologist who worked on the case, D.B. Cooper may have landed in the Washougal River, not near the Lewis River where it had been presumed that he came to earth -

before about \$5,800 in compressed, wet and ereded money was found along the banks of the Columbia River in February upstream from the

The Washougal River scenario is the private view of geologist Chris Fiedler, who handled the soil analysis on the money, and not part of the agency's official report to the Seattle field office coordinating the investigation.

Still, it seems to be the only clue -that might help the investigation the FBI was able to glean from a recert analysis of the bills in its Washington, D.C., research area known as Tre Laboratory.

The official report says little was found on the wad of money. The basis for the new information is Fielder's research of the sand particles found

among the bills and his discussions with federal geologists in the field.

He has concluded that the range of sand particles found among the bills in similar to sediment along the Columbia River and a number of its tributaries.

Fiedler's opinion has been disavowed firmly by his mineralogy division section chief.

"He could have landed in the

Columbia River," Fiedler said. "Or he could have come down in the Washougal. The latter is where my training, and instincts, tell me is, more likely, based on the data I have available."

The sand tests involve little in the way of complicated equipment only a simple microscope and some geological reference material that discuses the characteristics of sand

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	On February 20, 1980, J. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Portland District, telephone, was contacted regarding the possibility that bait money found near the on February 10, 1980, could have been brought to that area by a river feeding the Columbia River from the north.	ь6 ь7с ,
	The area believed to be the drop zone of the subject in 1971, is described as that area in the State of Washington bounded on the morth by the Lewis River, the east by the Clark County-Skamania County line, and the Columbia River. advised the only likely river feeding the Columbia River within the above described drop zone that would be capable of moving several bundles of money or a package about 16x16x4 inches to the Columbia River would be the Washougal River. A logical time, if the money came down the Washougal, would have been during the December 2, 1977 Washougal flood when parts of the river were approximately ten feet over the normal winter flood stage.	
	There are several other streams that feed the Columbia River upstream from the	
	stated that based on the three feet per second speed of the Columbia River, if a small package entered the Columbia River at Washougal, Washington. and floated in the main stream of the river to the, a distance approximately thirty miles, it would take 14.7 hours. This is assuming that the package did not tumble along the bottom of the river or get caught on any snags.	

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Maintenance Branch, Navigation Division, U.S. Army Engineer District, 319 S.W. Pine, telephone , was contacted regarding dredging operations on the Columbia River since November 24, 1971. The purpose of obtaining this information was to determine if it was possible that the bait money located on the beach property on the Vancouver, Washington, on February 10, 1980, could have been placed there through dredging operations on the Columbia River.	b6 b7С b6 b7С
that the only dredging operation between November 24, 1971, and the present in the vicinity of the was during August 6 through September 18, 1974.	,
Material dredged from the river channel in the Columbia River was placed in several locations on or near the as well as one location across the river on the Oregon side.	ь6 ь7с
The dredge material deposited at the site where the money was located came from the north half of the ship channel, which is 300 feet wide, between river mile 96 plus 38 feet and river mile 97 plus 17 feet. This material was deposited on the beach area of the between August 19 through the 25th, 1974, and consisted of 91,100 cubic yards of fill.	ъ6 ъ7с
The channel is maintained at 40 feet in depth and all the material above 40 feet is dredged out. The dredge "Washington" of the General Construction Company did the dredging on this project. It had a 24 inch pipe with wiper bar inside the pipe. The wiper bar keeps large objects such as rocks from passing through the pipe stated it would be possible for a 16x16x4 inch package to get through the pipe; however, it is likely that a package that size or a human body or parts thereof would	ъ6 ъ7с

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University, home address , home telephone number , work telephone number , was interviewed following Tena Bar in Vancouver, Washington, where portions of \$20 bills had been found. These \$20 bills were among the money furnished a person identifying himself as D. B. COOPER during a 1971 airplane high-jacking attempt. was interviewed by SA of the Portland, Oregon, FBI Office.	b7 b6 b7
advised that he found the beach area in the vicinity where the money was found to be in approximately four different layers. These layers consisted of an upper sand layer, a post dredging sand layer, a clay lump (dredge) sand layer, and below that an older sand layer. The upper layer consisted of six inches to eight inches of reworked beach sand and is the sand which contained the fragments and bundles of the recovered money. This sand also contained soda pop cans and other debris, which were not severely damaged or rusted. The post dredging sand contained older soda pop cans, rusted nails and spikes, and other rusted artifacts, which were in a much more deteriorated condition. The clay lump (dredge) sand was a mixture of course sand and fragments of organic clay material, ranging from one inch to five inches in size. Based on U.S. Corps of Engineering records which reflect that they dredged the Columbia River at this site in 1974,	 b6 b7
advised that in the post dredging layer, he found cross bedded course and medium sand, which indicated the river and river waves had worked repeatedly on this layer since 1974. The upper six inches to eight inches of reworked beach sand is the active layer which is currently being worked by the water of the Columbia River.	b6 b7
Based on the condition of the money through observation, advised that the money was probably washed into the location where it was found by natural river flow and was probably placed at the location of Tena Bar during the last rise in the Columbia River in the past two or three months. Newstigation on 2/13/80 at Vancouver, Washington File PD 164-41	ь6 ь7
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	Following the finding of a portion of the Norjak money along the Columbia River, approximately 5 miles downstream from the I-5 bridge, Vancouver, Washington, on the weekend of February 9-10, 1980, the following Special Agents from the Seattle Division proceeded to the money site:	' Ь6 Ь7С
	Also at the site were SA's and	.b/C
	Agents from the Portland Division provided the origin manpower to search the beach area for any other traces of NORJAK evidence.	
	On 2/14/80 and 2/15/80 the Seattle Division finished searching the crime scene area with the	
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	a which were used for hire in The scene was secured on the afternoon of 2/15/80. No further funds were found or other evidence.	•
	State University was on the scene to advise the FBI on soil samples on 2/14/80. The Portland Division is preparing an FD-302 in this regard. The Portland Division also forwarded the found money to the FBI Laboratory. There was approximately \$5800 found according to the lab. A separate lab report is being	ъ6 ъ7С
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VANCOUVER, Wash. - (AP) - The crumbling remains of \$20 bills unearthed by a Vancouver family more than two weeks ago -represents about \$5,800 of the \$200,000 taken in the 1971 D.B. Cooper skyjacking, the Federal Bureau of Investigation says,

Ray Mathis, senior agent, said officials t

counted the decaying greenbacks during F.B.I., laboratory tests in Washington, D.C.

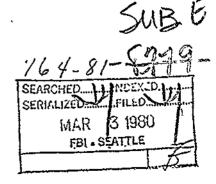
Otis Cox of the bureau's Washington, D.C., office said little else has been revealed about the money. Lab technicians continue to study? the loot, particularly for evidence of where it might have been before it washed up on the

banks of the Columbia River, Otis said.

The lumpy wads of money were found buried in shallow sand west of here.

The fate of Cooper, America's first skyjacker-for-money, has never been learned, although the F.B.I. maintains he is probably long:

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PORTLAND — For more than eight years, Ralph Himmelsbach, an agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, followed a nardirow trail of clues and tips in his quest of a legendary hijacker called D.B. Cooper. But the first real break in the case didn't come until Himmelsbach's F.B.I. career was drawing to a close.

After 29 years with the bureau, Himmelsbach retired as of Friday, a few months before he reaches the mandatory-retirement

age of 55.

Himmelsbach was the agent regarded as the bureau's expert on the puzzling case that started when the still-unknown sky pirate leaped from a Northwest Airlines 727 with 10,000 \$20 bills and two parachutes on Thanksgiving Eve,

Nothing has been heard of Cooper; and nothing was seen of the money until an 8-year-old boy found about \$5,800 of it mixed in the sand along the Columbia River near Vancouver, Wash., February 10.

"It's been an interesting case and I have enjoyed the investiga-

tion because of the things that have happened," Himmelsbach said. "It altered my life because of all the attention I have received."

But, he added, "I think I'll walk away from it and it will never bother me."

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VANCOUVER, Wash. — Human skeletal remains found in a rough section of Southwest Washington are those of a teen age girl and not the bones of D.B. Cooper, the airline hijacker, said Federal Bureau of Investigation officials yesterday.

Special Agent John Pringle said Dr. Arch Hamilton, Clark County coroner, determined the skull found near the western boundary of the Gifford Pinchot National Forest belonged to a young girl,

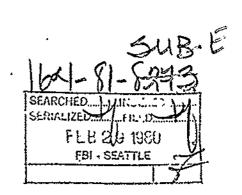
Pringle said the girl's age or identity has not been determined. The skull and other bones were found Sunday by Jack Bannister, of Yacolt, Clark County, and his son, Jack, as they were panning for gold about five miles from Yacolt, according to the Clark County sheriff's

While the sheriff's office said it didn't think the bones belonged to the famed hijacker, speculation had run high that the skull was Cooper's because it was found in the general area where Cooper bailed out of a plane with \$209,000,

Cooper hijacked the plane in Seattle in November, 1971, after picking up \$200,000 and bailed out somewhere over Southwestern

No trace of Cooper had been found until a 8-year-old boy found some of the \$20 bills along the Columbia River two weeks ago.

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No money, no fish

Treasure hunters fail to find more Cooper loot

VANCOUVER. Wash. (AP) — When the fellas gather at Tena Bar, fish stories abound. Hardly anyone wants to talk about the D.B. Cooper money that got away.

Tena Bar isn't a local watering hole. It's a local fishing hole — and the sand bar on the Columbia River on which the D.B. Cooper loot was found recently.

For awhile, all sorts of people gathered at the bar to search for some of the \$200,000 ranson money taken by Cooper in the nation's first hijacking-for-profit nine years ago, after a boy found weathered packets of \$20 bills in the sand.

On Wednesday, however, the only evidence of last week's frantic search of the beach by FBI agents were mounds of sand turned up by the searchers.

"We haven't seen anybody," said Bill Holcomb, a Vancouver resident and frequenter of Tena Bar.

Holcomb was fishing there with Virgil Nichols and Ken Troupe, both of Vancouver. The trio made up the entire fishing population of Tena Bar on Wednes lay.

"We drag junk out of this river every day. Plastic, old shoes, things like that." said Nichols. "But never any money."

"There may be money here, but there's no fish." Holcomb said.

A long trench on the beach dug for use by river experts studying the layers of sand has been refilled, as has the large hole around the spot where 8-year-old Brian Ingram found the Cooper money. Cooper hijacked a Northwest Airlines plane in 1971 and jumped from the back of the jet with \$200,000.

The Fazio Brothers, who own the beach next to their farming operation, seem glad it's over.

"As soon as the FBI left Fridal," said Richard Fazio, "Two peofle came, got stuck in the sand, and wanted me to pull them out. I day, and from I went up to close the cate."

and them I went up to close the gate."
Meanwhile, local FBI agents assigned to the case are awaiting the results of tests of the money by the bureau's crime lab in Washington, D.C., and checking all the leads that invariably crop up when anything to do with the Cooper case is publicized.

"Every time you have anything on the Cooper case that gets any publicity, the fallout is a great number of leads — look-a-like leads. (Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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FBI agents wield rakes, shovels in 'treasure hunt'

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By LESLIE L. ZAITZ of The Oregonian staff

VANCOUVER, Wash. — Guernsey cattle and puzzled fishermen watched with curiosity Tuesday as 20 casually attired FBI agents combed the Columbia River shoreline near here, looking for more of a hijacker's treasure.

The agents, working with garden rakes and shovels, carefully sifted through the sand on what is known locally as Tena's Bar, a sloping beach about nine miles northwest of Vancouver. The beach is owned by New Columbia Gardens Co., which operates a truck and dairy farm behind the beach.

What attracted the searchers was the find Sunday afternoon of a dozen bundles of worn \$20 bills, part of the ransom paid more than eight years ago to the legendary "Dan Cooper." A man using that name hijacked a Northwest Airlines jetliner in November 1971 and parachuted out of the aircraft with 211 pounds of cash totaling \$200,000.

The bundles on the beach were, found by 8-year-old Brian Ingram, who was helping his parents, Harold Dwayne and Patricia Ingram, build a fire for a picnic. The family, which moved to Vancouver recently from Oklahoma, had never heard of the man who was widely known at the time of his crime as D.B. Cooper.

Dorwyn Schreuder, the FBI agent supervising the beach search, said the Ingrams put the money aside after discovering it and continued with their picnic. They reported their discovery to the FBI on Monday.

The site, a popular fishing spot for Vancouver residents, was guarded by agents Monday night and the search started about noon Tuesday.

Agents roped off a section of beach measuring roughly 150 yards long and 30 yards wide. All driftwood was removed, and then began the laborious task of raking through sand at least 6 inches deep.

The Ingrams' find had been about 6 inches beneath the surface, Schreuder said. FBI agents Tuesday afternoon, found fragments of at least two other \$20 bills. By late Tuesday, several more fragments had been found as deep as 3 feet below the surface.

"We'll be taking some heavy equlpment, probably backhoes, in there Wednesday to dig deeper," said Bill Baker, assistant special agent in charge of the Portland FBI office.

Schreuder and other agents at the site said they still supported the long-held FBI theory that Cooper died in his parachuting attempt.

"He's probably not alive today," Schreuder said. "If he were, I think he'd be with his money."

The FBI initially was cautious about disclosing the precise location of the discovery. Operators of the farm said they knew something was unusual when several cars streamed along a road leading through the farmyard to the beach.

"We didn't know what it was about until we heard it on the radio," said one farm employee.

And three fishermen who routinely spend every day but Sundays fishing on the beach initially were confused and then angry.

"These guys wouldn't tell us what was going on," said Ken Davenport of Vancouver. "They asked us to move, but wouldn't tell us who they were or

Another fisherman, Mike Haddican of Vancouver, said they knew something was up "because everybody was getting out of cars with shovels instead of fishing poles."

The Guernsey cows watched the beach show from their pens on a small bluff, scattering occasionally when helicopters chartered by news organizations flew overhead.

Within an hour after the FBI announced where the money had been found, private automobiles streamed down Northwest Lower River Road, a narrow two-lane road leading to the farm. A Clark County sheriff's deputy guarded the entrance, preventing the public from getting to the beach.

FBI agents were to remain on the scene overnight to keep out would-be treasure hunters.

The FBI said how much of the beach would be searched would be determined after the agency consulted with hydrologists and others who could provide expert advice about from where the money may have come.

Only half-joking, Schreuder said the agents "could search all the beach from here to Astoria."

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FBI calls off search [for more hijack money

The FBI has, at least temporarily, called off its search along the Columbia River for more of the money obtained eight years ago by the airplane hijacker who used the name Dan Cooper.

Jack Pringle, assistant special agent in charge of the FBI's Seattle office, said, the search was called off late Thu sday night after several days of sand-sifting produced no new evidence. The Seattle office has coordinated

search efforts in the Cooper caper, the only unresolved hijacking on record since it occurred in 1971.

Pringle said search efforts might berenewed next week, after the results of laboratory tests are received on the several thousand dollars in badly decayed \$20 bill fragments found by a picnicking family Sunday about nine miles downstream from Vancouver.

He said there was a chance the tests "could find additional debris that might give us an idea where (the money) may have been" before it washed onto the river bank.

A geologist serving as consultant to the FBI has said he believes the money had spent most of the past eight years underwater and was deposited on the sandy beach only within the past year.

The Northwest Airlines plane was hijacked between Portland and Seattle by a man who said he had a bomb. The hijacker obtained \$200,000 in \$20 bills when the plane landed in Seattle and then parachuted with the money over Southwest Washington.

The bills found Sunday represented the first trace of the hijacker or money since the Thanksgiving Eve hijack occurred.

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Geologist's finding contradicts theory

By Bud May The Daily News

A thorough search of a Columbia River beach where part of D.B. Cooper's ransom money was found Sunday has turned up no new clues as to the fate of the legendary skyjacker.

The FBI said today that the search will continue today and Fri-

day, then probably be suspended temporarily.

Brought to the beach to aid in Wednesday's search were at

backhoe and a geologist.

The FBI said the backhoe was used to dig a trench near the discovery site, making possible a study of the layers to sand.

An associate professor of geology at Portland State University, Leonard Palmer, was retained to inspect the sand and to assist investigators in determining when the bundled money may have been deposited there.

Palmer, to the surprise of some authorities, concluded that the money was deposited on the beach in the past year or two because it was above clay deposits put on the beach in a 1974 channel dredging operation.

According to the FBI, a coarse layer of sand sloped from a height of about six inches at the river's edge to two feet or more some distance up the river bank.

Earlier, Ralph Himmelsbach, a Portland FBI agent who has had charge of following new leads in the Cooper case for a number of years, said he believed the money must have been deposited within a couple of years after the skyjacking.

He says discovery of the money provided a major break in the case, but puts authorities no closer to locating Cooper, whom Himmelsbach believes is dead.

Agents say the money was tied to Cooper when he bailed out of the plane, but was no longer with him when it was deposited on the beach.

If it had still been attached to his body at the bottom of the river when the channel was dredged in 1974, the body would have clogged up the dredge and have been found, agents believe.

Jack Pringle, assistant agent in charge of the Seattle FBI Office, told *The Daily News* this morning that small bits and pieces of \$20 bills were located Wednesday when agents continued digging in sand surrounding the spot where a Vancouver family discovered money Sunday.

The Harold Dwayne Ingram family was on an outing north and west of Vancouver when their 8-year-old son, Brian, uncovered

several thousand dollars in decomposed bills.

Ingram contacted the Portland FBI Office, and a check of serial numbers conclusively established that the money was part of \$200,000 in \$20 bills Cooper had when he bailed out of a Northwest, Orient Airlines jet over the Lewis River area on Nov. 24, 1971.

Pringle said the area was still being searched today, but no newe evidence had been located as of this forenoon.

"Some of the area is inaccessible, and there's no way we can search the whole area." Pringle said in Seattle this morning.

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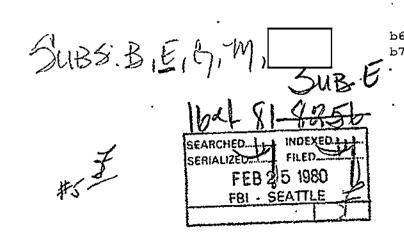
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This catch wasn't the big one

Fishing for D.B.

Cooper's loot

By PAT MOSER Columbian Staff Writer

WASHOUGAL — Bob Devaney watched the ducks peck away at something floating in the Washougal River near the Riverside Bowl.

It was 'March' 22, 1977, and Devaney of 4221 F Circle, Washougal, was fishing for steelhead. The muddy runoff waters had cleared, and the river was in shape for catching the ocean-going trout.

"I watched the ducks nibbling away," Devaney said. "I waded out to see. That's when I saw the money. At first, I thought it was play money."

But Devaney picked up a bill and examined it. It was a real \$20 bill, and there were six others to be grabbed from atop the water.

Devaney's story became more

significant last week when part of the D.B. Cooper hijacking money was found washed up on a Columbia River beach nine miles downstream from Vancouver. One theory contends the money could have washed out of the Washougal River watershed during the nearly 8½ years since Cooper parachuted from an airliner over Southwest Washington.

A check with the Federal Bureau of Investigation list of serial numbers on the \$200,000 given Cooper didn't match those found by Devaney. Davaney still has his \$140 tucked away in cellophane bags.

The D.B. Cooper money find also brought significance to a green bank bag found by Jack Smith who lives up the Washougal River; in Skamania County.

Smith was driving down the river

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The finding of some of the "Dang Cooper" hijacking money Sunday came is a dramatic climax to the career of ean Ralph Himmelsbach, the FBI's Cooper expert.

Himmelsbach, himself a veteran pilot, has lived, breathed and slept the Dan Cooper case ever since a man using that name hijacked a Northwest Airlines jet from Portland on Thanksgiving Eve, 1971.

Himmelsbach, who has logged thousands of hours of flying time in his own 1952 model single-engine Beechcraft4 Bonanza, was aloft in an Oregon Air

National Guard helicopter ready to in-Itercept the hijacked plane within a few minutes after the airliner took off from . Seattle, where Cooper obtained. \$200,000 and four parachutes. But the air turbulence that night was so severe that the helicopter was ordered back to Portland Airbase.

Next morning Himmelsbach started the first of a series of flights which took him the length of the hijack route many times, between investigating other clues, all of which proved to be false.

"I was over the target area near Lake Merwin Sunday again," he said Tuesday. "I saw they had logged a lot! of prime search area, and thought something would turn up now."

But he never guessed the news that would confront him when he reported:

for work Monday.

"I'll admit to a certain sense of satisfaction," Himmelsbach said Tuesday, flashing a broad smile. "The case isn't solved, but this is certainly a major milestone."

Himmelsbach will retire March I; after 27 years with the FBI - climaxed by his work on the Cooper case, one that will go down in FBI history. ..

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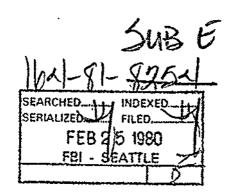
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Bills 1st solid clue in hijack mystery

By LEVERETT RICHARDS

of The Oregonian staff

The weathered bundles of \$20 bills found on the Washington bank of the Columbia River nine miles northwest of Vancouver on Sunday were the first solid clues to the mystery of the "Dan Cooper" aircraft hijacking, FBI agents said Tuesday.

One of the more intensive searches in the FBI's history had failed to turn up any clue to the fate of the mysterious hijacker or his loot during the eight years since he bailed out of a Northwest Orient Airlines Boeing 727 flying at 7,000 feet over La Center, Wash., on Nov. 24, 1971, FBI spokesmen said.

Cooper's was the first hijacking of a commercial airliner for money, and started a chain of similar attempts, which was responsible in part for the rigid security system now enforced at all United States airports and most major airports abroad.

Because of an erroneous report of the name used by the hijacker, he became known nationally as D.B. Cooper, although the airline manifest showed he

had used the name "Dan."

The man who called himself Cooper pald cash for a ticket and boarded Northwest's Flight 305 at Portland International Airport just before it departed. He sat in a rear seat in the cabin and waited until the plane was airborne. Then he handed stewardess Fiorence Schaffner a note saying he had a bomb in the satchel he was carrying and demanding \$200,000 in unmarked \$20 bills.

By the time the plane landed at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport at 5:45 p.m., airline officials were gathering the money and the four parachutes he had demanded. The hijacker released the 36 passengers on board, along with all crew members except one stewardess and two pilots. The plane then took off and headed south at 7,000 feet in stormy weather.

At 8:10 p.m. the pilots felt a fluctuation in cabin pressure which indicated the rear door had been opened. Later tests showed this was when the hijacker had bailed out, taking with him the money and the device that he claimed was a bomb.

Computer calculations and a later reconstruction of the flight persuaded the FBI that Cooper had bailed out near Woodland, Wash., and would have landed somewhere west of Lake Meriwin.

William Rataczak, first officer (copilot) on the hijacked plane who flew the later reconstructions of the hijack flight, said the pilots received no answer when they called on the interphone to their passenger and were not certain he was gone until they landed in Reno, Nev., at 11 p.m.

The "target area" was searched ref. peatedly by the FBI, other law enforcement officers and soldiers from Fort. Lewis, Wash., but no trace of man or money was found. Northwest Airlines offered a reward, since expired, and hunters and woodsmen continued the search for years without success.

Before Sunday, the only item that had been found from the hijacking was a placard believed to have blown off the bulkhead of the 727 when the door was opened in flight.

It was found 13 miles east of Castle Rock, Wash., in January 1979. The placard, if indeed it came from the hijacked plane, "helped to confirm that the plane was on course all the way, but didn't shed any light on what happened to Cooper," said FBI agent Ralph Himmelsbach, who headed the investigation.

After eight years of investigation Himmelsbach has said he still believes Cooper could not have survived the parachute jump at 7 degrees below zero, dressed as he was in a light business suit and street shoes.

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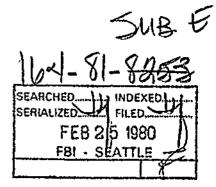
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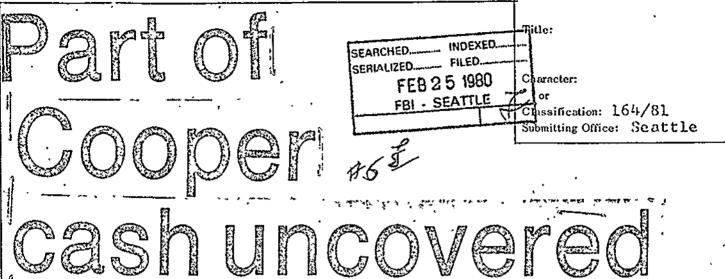
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By LEVERETT RICHARDS

"Several thousand dollars" of the \$200,000 obtained eight years ago by the celebrated airline hijacker who used the name Dan Cooper was found Sunday along the Columbia River downstream from Vancouver, Wash., the FBI reported Tuesday.

Three bundles containing 12 packets. of weatherbeaten \$20 bills were found in river sand by a picnicking Vancouver family, about nine miles northwest of the city.

FBI agents searching the beach Tuesday afternoon found several more, fragments of \$20 bills, some of them funder three feet of sand.

Harold Dwayne Ingram, his wife, Patricia, and their son, Brian, 8, were preparing to build a fire on the beach when Brian brushed the sand aside and turned up some of the bills, Ingram said

"We dug around and found three bundles of bills tied with rubber bands," Ingram said.

The bills were wet and badly worn, but the serial numbers were legible. The FBI identified the serial numbers and confirmed that they were part of the loot given Cooper when he hijacked a Northwest Orient Airlines Boeing 727 jetliner between Portland and Seattle on Nov. 24, 1971.

William M. Baker, assistant special, agent in charge of the Portland FBI office, said the Ingrams were relatively new to the Vancouver area, moving there recently from Oklahoma. They had never heard of Cooper, Baker said.

"They took it (the money) home and were talking to some friends about it," Baker said. "The friends pointed out that it might be the money from the Cooper thing. That's when they called the FBI."

Ralph Himmelsbach, the FBI agent in charge of the case since the hijack-ing, said it was the first solid clue to the Cooper mystery since the hijacker bailed out near La Center, Wash., into a winter storm at 8:10 p.m. that Thanks-giving Eve. The first hijacking for money, the Cooper case became a national sensation.

Baker said it was possible the FBI laboratory in Washington, D.C., could discern fingerprints on the money.

"That would be a hell of a break,"

Baker said the money the Ingrams' found had not been counted. At first the amount recovered was estimated at about \$4,000, but "we have revised our estimate to several thousand dollars," he said.

Baker said the money was bundled into packages of several sizes at the time of the hijacking, "to make it appear that it was randomly done, as if it was done in a hurry." Because of that, the actual amount could not be estimated, he said.

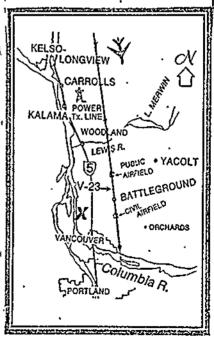
FBI agents Tuesday were carefully combing the site of the Sunday discovery for further clues. The beach, open to the public, is owned by the New Columbia Gardens Co., a truck and dairy farm.

Cooper was seen on the plane tying a nylon cord around his waist, presumably to tle the money into a parachute bag. The Ingrams said they did not see any sign of a cloth bag, but Himmels bach said it would be hard to understand how the bundles of bills could have stayed together all these years if they were not in some kind of container.

Baker said the search for Cooper's remains or other clues would be resumed in a new area.

FBI spokesmen concluded that the bills could have been washed down some tributary of the Columbia.

George Holmes, a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers hydrologist, said he would review information about where Coop-



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The Loot Reveals New Clues to the Fate of D.R.

By John O'Ryan

VANCOUVER, Wash. — Eight FBI agents digging on a Columbia River beach in a snowstorm found no more of D.B. Cooper's bijack ransom yesterday, but they revealed new clues to the fate of the legendary parachutist.

Special agent Ken Moore of Scattie, in charge of the digging, said a geologist's report indicates that the money which has been found drifted up on this beach within the past two years.

Furthermore, Moore said as be warmed himself by a campfire during

a tespite from the frigid digging, the inchey came downstream, and probably reached the Columbia from the Washougal River, or one of several smaller streams which enter the big river above here.

It isn't likely, he said, that the money came upstream, with tidal currents, from the Lewis River — which drains Lake Merwin, where Cooper has long been thought to have perished.

Moore thought for a few moments, then said:

"Tourists who want to look for more Cooper money probably should-

i; look on the Washougal River."

All of which indicates that Cooper. the digging, with \$200,000 in a canvas suitease strapped to his body, jumped from a Northwest Airlines Boeing 727 a little southeast of the point originally estimated by the FBI.

He apparently landed southeast of Lake Merwin which is just off 15 near Woodland, in the drainage of the Washougal River, or nearby streams, in hilly, wooded country.

"There is nothing infallible about our original estimate of where he landed," said John Pringle, assistant special agent in charge of the Scattle

office.

."Because of strong wind currents, and other variables, we could have been a little off in our original coilmakes."

According to Pringle, only one money bundle from the \$200,000 hijack ransom was found on this beach nine miles downstream from the bridge over the Columbia River at Vancouver.

But since Cooper had all of his money in one canvas container, according to Moore, if any of the money is scattered — all of it is likely to be scattered.

Cooper, whose real identity has never been learned, literally dropped out of sight the night he plunged from the airliner. He had collected his bijack e loot in Seattle — bundles of money wrapped in a package six inches high, one foot across, and about 1S inches long — later stuffed into a bag tied to his waist.

No trace was found of Cooper or his money until a family picnicking on this north bank of the Columbia, on property owned by the Fazio Brothers Sand Co. and dairy cow farm, found tattered bills three to six inches deep in the sand.

inches deep in the sand.

It was "Seattle day" at the FBI diggings on the Columbia River yesterday. The previous day, 10 FBI agents from the Portland bureau carried out the digging.

Yesterday, eight agents from the

Scattle bureau were hard at work. The beach is roped off, and a Clark County sheriff's car was parked at the entrance to the Fazio property to keep the public out.

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Sand was piled around the original money discovery area, because the FBI had been using a backhoe to excavate there. Agents were working, yesterday with shovels and rakes.

Moore said a Portland State University Geologist is the one who determined that the money had floated onto the beach within the last two years

This, Moore said, was based on a determination that there is only about six to eight inches of sand on this beach, and beneath it is a clay that was placed here by a channel dredging project carried out in 1974.

The clay, he said, appears "undisturbed," but the sand contains soft drink containers and other debris

from picnickers. It appears to be of recent origin, and the money was found only about three to six inches deep in it.

Moore said the Army Corps of Engineers had scuttled the theory that the money had drifted upstream with tidal currents from the mouth of the Lewis River, which enters the Columbia downstream from here.

"I talked to the engineers, and they said that it is most unlikely that anything drifted upstream against the current," Moore said.

If no more money is found, the FBI's digging on the beach will end today, Moore said.

But he expressed the belief that "the departure of the Fisl will not end" the sifting through this strip of sand.

"After we leave, probably 2.500 people will digging here the next day," he said.

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agents digging in search of more clues

By Bud May The Daily News

PORTLAND - An 8-year-old boy , accomplished with a sweep of his hand Sunday something the FBI has been trying to do for more than eight years.

Brian Ingram, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dwayne Ingram of Vancouver, provided the first major breakthrough in the D.B. Cooper skyjacking case when he accidentally uncovered part of the \$200,000 ransom Cooper had when he bailed out of a Northwest Airlines jet in the Lewis River area on Thanksgiving Eve, Nov. 24, 1971.

The FBI said Tuesday the discovery of more than \$3,000 in badly deteriorated \$20 bills was made Sunday while the Ingram family was on an outing on a Columbia River beach about five miles northwest of Vancouver on the Washington side.

Meantime, the FBI is conducting an intensive grid search of the beach area where the money was found. Agents reported finding bits and pieces of money Tuesday afternoon, some of it as deep as three feet in sand.

However, the pieces were so small ! it was not possible to determine the amount of money.

A U.S. Army Corps of Engineers hydrologist, George Holmes, said he would review information about where the hijacker jumped in relation to where the money was found.

He said the Washougal River was the only Columbia tributary that , might have carried the cash, and; even that is a remote possibility.

Not everyone shares that opinion. Some experts feel that because of

the Columbia's currents, the money could have come from the Lewis River and washed upstream.

The FBI has a'so contacted the Ar- .. my Engineers, which continuously dredges sand in that area, on the chance that dredging brought the money up from the bottom of the river. A spokesman for the Army Engineers said today that it is a definite possibility. While they constantly dredge in that area, the last time they deposited the dredged sand on that beach was in October

Agents said the money, in bundles. without question is part of that given the man known as Cooper.

'The packaging and numbered sequence indicate the bills have not been separated and are in much the same order as when given to the hijacker,'' explained Bill Baker, assistant agent in charge at the Portland office.

Baker could not say whether the Ingram family will get a reward, since the FBI can not offer one, but he indicated there is a good possibility that the airline or another source: would provide one.

The elder Ingram and his wife. Patricia, told dozens of news media, people at a press conference in the Portland FBI Office Tuesday how

the money was found.

"I was about to build a fire on the beach," said Ingram, "and had my arms full, but before I could set it; down, my son said, 'Wait a minute' daddy.' He scooped off some sand, and this money rolled to the top."

A UPI reporter who talked with the family Tuesday said Brian and his 5-year-old cousin, Denise Ingram, shouted, "Look! It's money that we found!"

The Ingrams said they didn't connect the money to the Cooper case at . the time, but realized it must be important to someone, so they notified the Portland FBI Office of the find.

Asked by a reporter why he contacted the FBI instead of local authorities, Ingram responded, "Because I figured if I turned it over to police, I would never see it again."

He didn't elaborate on that remark, but continued to answer questions from newspaper, television and radio reporters.

Asked if he considered keeping the money, Ingram laughingly replied, "No, it looked in such had shape I didn't think I could spend it."

Ingram said the money, which was displayed for reporters on a table at the press conference, was about 20 yards from the edge of the river, but was very wet he Because of the poor condition of

the bills, thei exact amount lot recovered money is unknown penilif ding laboratory examinations the 180 FBI said, DOMAN CERT

While FBI agents://seem ecstatich/xf0" about the discovery, they are quickto point out that approximately \$197,000 is still missing, and what happened to Cooper himself is just DB Cooper 2/425 'as much a mystery as before the (ind. .

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By Bud May The Dally News

The body of skyjacker D.B. Cooper lies on the bottom of Lake Merwin, most likely hung up on a

Retired FBI Agent Tom Manning of Longview has held that theory for several years, and still does.

The fact that some of the ransom money Cooper got from Northwest Airlines was found Sunday on a Columbia River beach north and west of Vancouver has not changed his conviction in the least.

Manning, now manager of the Longview Chamber of Commerce, had charge of the massive searches conducted in the Lewis River area after the infamous skyjacking of a Northwest Airlines jet on Thanksgiving Eve in 1971.

Because he worked so long on a case that has never been solved, the former resident agent has taken a lot of ribbing from friends and acquaintances.

"Some still call me D.B. Cooper," he said with a chuckle Tuesday night.

Manning never believed the skyjacker survived the jump with \$200,000 in ransom money, and was among the first to say so.

"I said several years ago that I think he may be hung up on a snag at the bottom of Lake Merwin, and I still think so," Manning said after learning Tuesday that some of the ransom money had been found.

Manning said the fact that the money was found upstream, rather than downstream from the mouth of the Lewis River, doesn't disprove his theory.

He said it could have been moved upstream by tides and currents.

George Holmes, a hydrologist for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, says that would not have been impossible, but he considers it unlikely that currents would have moved the cash that far upstream.

"However," Holmes, emphasized, "I'm not taking issue in any way with the theory of where the hijacker may have come down after leaving the plane, or where the rest of the money might be."

Manning recalls vividly the inten-

sive search conducted east of Woodland in the Lewis River area.

He says Charles Farrell of Seattle was the FBI agent in charge of the case, while Manning coordinated the searches. Other agents from the Seattle and Portland FBI offices were also involved. In addition, about 200 soldiers from Fort Lewis were used in an inch by inch grid .. search conducted in March of 1972 after the winter snows melted.

Despite the fact that no trace of Cooper was found, Manning and other agents remained convinced he had jumped somewhere in the Lewis River-Lake Merwin area, where crewmen of the Boeing 727 noted al fluctuation in the cabin rate of pressure indicator about 8:10 p.m.

Minutes earlier lights came on in the cockpit indicating the rear airstair of the aircraft had been lowered.

"Using the same aircraft, we made some tests three days after the hijacking, and the results gave credence to the theory that he jumped in the area the crew told us about," Manning said.

Manning was aboard the plane, flown by the chief pilot of the airline, when it was taken over the Pacific Ocean off the Hoquiam bombing . range for the tests. Also present was the same flight engineer who was on duty the night of the incident.

"We took along some wooden sleds with sandbags to approximate the . weight of Cooper, the parachutes given him and the ransom money, and dropped them from the plane when the flying conditions were the same as they were at the time he bailed out," Manning recalled.

The airstair was lowered, and the sleds dropped.

"The engineer said the plane reacted the same as it had before: when the weight was released," Manning said Tuesday.

According to Manning, the FBI and the airline were convinced then that the man calling himself D.B. Cooper bailed out of the jet in the Lewis River area, and nothing has' happened to shake that belief.

Where he landed has never been determined, but Manning still thinks I aka Marwin ie a naad hal

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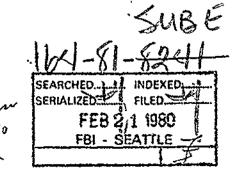
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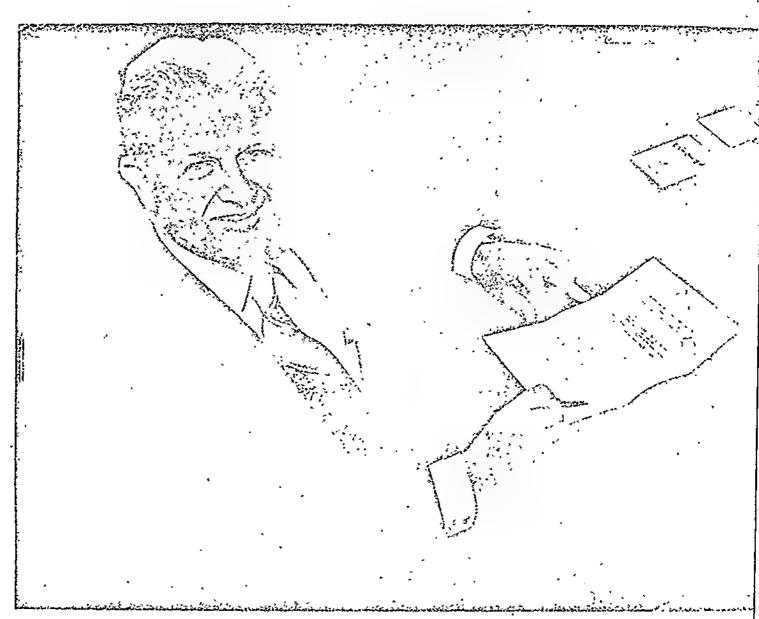
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Tom Manning, ex-FBI agent involved in the D.B. Cooper case, believes Cooper fell into Lake Marwin and the money



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By Donna duBeth The Dally News

The handful of residents who live along the beach where part of D.B. Cooper's lost was found Sunday are kicking themselves for not building more sand castles.

They also wonder whether they should have paid more attention to the sand dredging operations along the beach.

Tina Bar is a stretch of sandy beach on the Washington side of the Columbia River northwest of Vancouver. The lonely country road that winds along the beach, Lower River Road, dead-ends about three miles from where a Vancouver family found about \$3,000 beneath the sand Sunday while on a picnic. Rabbits bounce on the side of the road at night, startled by occasional passing cars.

Less than 10 houses are along the 12-mile stretch of beach road. Most of the land belongs to large dairy farms. The Fazio Bros. Sand Co. also fronts the river. A road leading through the Fazio gate is a popular path to the beach. It is the same path used by the family the day they found the money. On the east side of Fazio Bros. is Leeward Isle Marina, with a public fishing boat launch and one or two house boats.

During fishing season, the beach is packed from end to end, say local residents Clarence and Barbara Ellis. They have lived in their mobile home just down the road from Fazio Bros. for the past 30 years.

Every day Clarence takes his outboard skill along Tina Bar patrolling the river and the beach for renegade logs that could damage other boats.

Ellis says that the Army Corps of Engineers continuously dredges sand directly off the shore from where the money was found.

"I betcha that dredging brought that money up and

most of it's been destroyed by the dredging," he said. "Even the FBI is going to be able to figure that one out."

Today a spokesman for the Army Engineers said they were working closely with the FBI, checking out that lead. The sand sucked up from the bottom of the river and spewed onto the beach could have contained some or all of the long-sought money. While the dredging is continuous, the last time sand was deposited in that spot was in October 1974.

Another resident of the area said that the money was found too far from the water to have washed up. "It had to be the dredging. Maybe I'll go get me a shovel," said Mrs. J.W. Freeman.

The FBI dug all day Tuesday, finding bits and pieces of \$20 bills. An agent guarding the site Tuesday evening said the amount they found during the day was less than the \$3,000 orginally dug up.

Tuesday night the Ellis family sat in their home decorated with fishing gear and large plants, amazed that some the D.B. Cooper money was showing up on the same beach their children grew up on.

"To think I worked like a slave all my life and here this money was right in my front yard," said Ellis. "When I think of the times my kids took the four-wheel drive right over that spot. I mean that's our beach. It belongs to the people we lease from and that's the beach we use."

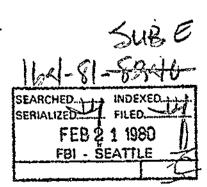
His wife, Barbara, said she felt "kinda sick" not finding it. But she added that she would have turned it in. "Somebody could have lost it," she said.

The beach property actually belongs to the Hans-Egger family of Vancouver. A baby sitter at the home said the Eggers were on vacation in California. They learned the money had been found on their property, when they listened to a television newscast Tuesday night.

"They were shocked," said the baby sitter.

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How it all started

On Nov. 24, 1971, a calm, middle-age man calling himself Dan Cooper bought a ticket for a Northwest Airlines flight to Seattle.

Shortly after takeoff, he handed a note to stewardess Florence Schaffner.

Thinking the man was trying to "hustle" her, she stuffed the note in her purse, but he motioned for her to read it.

The note said he had a bomb, and wanted to go to Mexico.

White the jet circled Seattle before landing, the skyjacker also ordered that \$200,000 cash and four parachutes be brought to the plane.

The airline agreed, 36 passengers and part of the crew were allowed to leave, and the plane took off with the man and his ransom.

As it flew south, the rear airstair was lowered, and minutes later the plane reacted in a manner that convinced the crew that the skyjacker had bailed out somewhere in the Lewis River-Lake Merwin area east of Woodland.

Thus began the legend of D.B. Cooper (the name Dan Cooper somehow got lost in news media accounts of the incident.)

Cooper has never been found, but interest in the case is still strong, and flared Tuesday when the FBI announced a Vancouver family had found several thousand dollars of the ransom money on a Columbia River beach northwest of Vancouver.

Several stories about the case appear in today's issue of .

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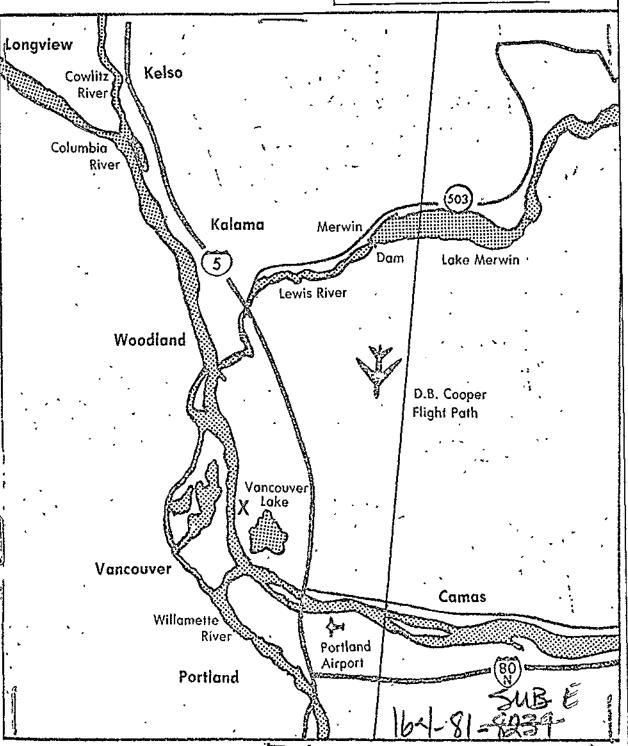
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FBI Halts Search For Cooper Clues & Loot

FBI agents yesterday called off their search on a sandy beach of the Columbia River west of Vancouver for more evidence of D.B. Cooper and the \$200.000 he carried when he parachuted from a skyjacked airliner in November 1971.

"When the agents get back here next week, we'll discuss what direction to take next," said Jack Pringle, an FBI agent in Seattle.

One partly decomposed bundle of marked \$20 bills from the Cooper loot was found Sunday by a family picnicking beside the river nine miles below Vancouver.

It probably will be at least a week before the FBI laboratory in Washington, D.C., will report on how much money was found, said Bill Williams, of the FBI office in Portland, Ore., whose agents dug and sifted the sand carlier this week.

Cooper is believed to have parachuted over Lake Merwin in Cowlitz County. No trace of him or the money is known to have been found until the discovery Sunday.

Williams said yesterday that Leonard Palmer; a geologist at Portland State University, concluded that the money drifted onto the river bank sometime after August 1974. The money lay in sand on top of spoil from a dredging operation that was conducted that month, Palmer told the FBI.

Pringle said that sooner or later the recovered money will be returned to its owner.

"We don't know who that is and it's not up to us to determine," he said. "It might be that a court will have to decide."

The \$200,000 was delivered to Cooper aboard a Northwest Airline plane in Seattle after be skyjacked it.

Brent Baskfield, a Northwest public relations officer in St. Paul, Minn. I said Northwest paid the money but I has been reimbursed for most of it by The Globe Insurance Co. in New York City.

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by Richard Zahler and Steve Johnston Times staff reporters

Federal Bureau of Investigation treasure hunters returned to a cold and sandy Columbia River beach downstream from Vancouver, Wash., today seeking more clues to the eight-year-old D.B. Cooper skyjacking mystery.

The F.B.I. mixed a little science and technology with a lot of old-fashioned elbow grease yesterday in continued digging at the beach. Agents continued to find scraps of \$20 bills in the area where a picnicking Vancouver family found three bundles of money Sunday.

Through serial numbers, those decomposed bundles of bills have been identified as "several thousand dollars" of the \$200,000 given to the man who hijacked a Northwest Orient Airlines 727 in November, 1971, then parachuted from the jet with his loot. The F.B.I. believes he jumped somewhere in the vicinity of LaCenter, about 25 miles northeast of the beach where the money was found.

Yesterday's search, aided by a backhoe and advice from a Portland State University geologist, provided no' clues how the money got to the beach or where it has been since the hijacking.

F.B.I. agents said the money still was packaged in the same order as it was given to the hijacker: The geologist said the money probably had been there for less than

Kenneth Moore, a Seattle F.B.I. agent assigned to the case, said, "One reason for conducting an exhaustive search of this area would be to find other indications of what happened - pieces of clothing, pieces of bag, pieces of parachute or human remains, which in this case would be only bones.'

The beach area is 71/2 miles northwest of Vancouver! on a stretch of shoreline used heavily by fishermen and lined with industrial plants and farms.

Moore and other agents said it would be just speculation to suggest that Cooper might have come down near the Columbia River beach, or that the search site might give any clue besides additional pieces of money. The round shape of the wads of money suggested that the cash could have tumbled along the river bed, agents said.

The farmers who own the shoreland, Al and Richard Fazio, said the place where the money was found is periodically underwater during high river runoff, like last

Moore said the currency might have been pumped on the beach during the dredging, but that was doubted by Dr. Leonard Palmer, Portland State geologist.

Palmer said the scraps of money had been found in looser sand, not in dredging spoils. The river last was a dredged there in 1974.

Moore said the meager evidence suggests the hijacker "may have landed in the water, although not necessarily the Columbia."

Speculation that Cooper could have dropped into Lake Merwin, a reservoir on the Lewis River, was rethe Washougal River watershed. The Lewis River enters downstream from the search area, the Washougal upstream from Vancouver.

But Moore said there were no plans to search upriver 'unless evidence leads us to a more specific area.

Small pieces of currency were found yesterday in scattered places as they combed through sand several hundred feet downstream from Sunday's discovery site

Other fragments showed up as agents shoveled sand through wire screens around the main site. The largest piece discovered yesterday was about the size of a stick of chewing gum. It was several layers thick.

Moore said the new fragments may once have been

part of the destroyed bundles discovered Sunday.

Although there were several rewards offered for the discovery of the money or the arrest of D.B. Cooper, federal agents said it looked as if the Harold Ingram family is out of luck. Ingram's son, Brian, 8, uncovered the

money.

"As far as I know, all reward offers have been canceled," a Portland F.B.I. agent, Bill Williams, said.

Roy Erickson, a spokesman for Northwest Orient in St. Louis, said the airline had settled with its insurance company, Globe of New York, several years ago and received \$180,000.

"Our loss was covered by our insurance and so we

are out of the situation now," he said.

Ralph Himmelsbach, a Portland F.B.I. agent who has worked on the D.B. Cooper case since 1971, said the finding of the money gave him "a certain sense of satisfaction," the Associated Press reported.

"The case isn't solved," Himmelsbach said, "but this

is certainly a major milestone.

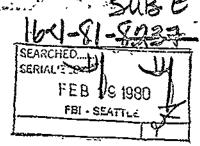
"So we know at least that he (Cooper) never spent this money, and we know that none of the money he was given has ever turned up in circulation."

Himmelsbach said Cooper's skeleton probably never will be found if it is in the forested mountain area where

he is supposed to have landed.

"Unlike the money, Cooper is biodegradable," Himmelsbach said.

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By KERRY WEBSTER TiNT Staff Writer

It's more likely than ever that the legendary D. B. Cooper is just a grinning skeleton in a nylon shroud, say FBI agents raking the sand for the last of his mouldering stash.

"The discovery of the money adds credence to the theory that he probably did not survive the jump," said Bill Williams, a special agent in Portland.

On the north bank of the Columbia River today, more than 30 FBI agents worked behind a cordon of armed sheriff's deputies, spading over every square foot of sand along 150 feet of shoreline.

The site is where eight-year-old Brian Ingram of Vancouver, digging idly in the sand with a stick on Sunday, turned up a sodden wad of \$20 bills.

Serial numbers on the money — 12 stacks of twenties, still in their bank wrappings - matched some of those given to "Dan Cooper" when he hijacked Northwest Airlines Flight 305 on Thanksgiving Eve, 1971..

Flourishing what looked like a stick of dynamite, "Cooper" ordered the plane to fly from Seattle-Tacoma International Airport to Reno, Nev., after first demaninding \$200,000 and four parachutes.

The Boeing 727's flight recorder indicated that he jumped from the plane's lowered rear stairwell somewhere near Ariel, a tiny logging town in Southwest Washington.

No trace of Cooper or the hijacking loot had shown up in the past inine years. The mysterious air pirate in that time has become a cult figure, with sweatshirts, bumperstickers and endless pulp-magazine stories dedicated to the exploit.

FBI agents, who have been the butt of D. B. Cooper jokes for nine years, did not conceal a certain grim satisfaction when they announced the finding of the money in . Seattle and Portland press conferences yesterday.

The fact that the money appears to have washed up on the riverbank, rather than having been purposely buried there, increases the chances that Cooper is dead.

"There is no way we can tell if he is dead or alive," said John Pringle, assistant agent in charge of the Seattle office. "We only know that if he is alive, he doesn't have this money."

The site of the find is about nine miles downriver from the Interstate 5 bridge over the Columbia between Portland and Vancouver. Young Ingram made the discovery while picnicking with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dwayne

The elder Ingram told reporters yesterday he was preparing to build a fire when his son "ran up and said, 'Wait a minute, Daddy.' . He raked a place out in the sand. and there it was.

Ingram told The Associated Press he didn't even consider spending the money, because it looked so badly deteriorated.

The decomposed money was being sent today to the FBI crime lab in Washington, D.C., for examination. Pringle said there is a possibility that mud and soil deposited in the bundles may give a clue as to where they were washed from.

"We're going to be doing some study of tide tables and flood records, also," added Portland agent Williams today. "That'll tell us whether examining any of the (Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.) p.A3 News Tribune

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Columbia's tributaries would be useful."

The Washougal River flows into [the Columbia below the money site, and its origins are deep in the woods over which Cooper is believed to have jumped.

However, Williams noted, the Columbia is frequently dredged and often floods where the money was found, so the situation could be very confused.

Pringle said Cooper jumped with the money tied around his waist, and he said he believed "it was in a bag which would have deteriorated over this length of

He said a major objective of the search going on now is to find some other object that is connected to Cooper.

"We could find bones, or a piece of parachute," he said. "Nylon does not deteriorate rapidly.

Agents using spades and rakes ! have discovered a few more pieces of \$20 bills, about the size of nickels and dimes, according to the FBI. The new discoveries were made within a three-foot radius of the original finding.

"We are planning to bring in some heavy equipment tomorrow to speed things up," Williams said. "The problem when you dig up a spadeful of sand is, what do you do . with the sand?"

In Ariel, meanwhile, tavern owner Dave Fisher said the little town will go on with plans for its annual "D. B. Cooper party" at his

Ariel Store & Tavern this Nov 24.

"You know, if they had found five body," he said, "we were planning...... some sort of a memorial party (980

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by Richard Zahler

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VANCOUVER, Wash. - The Federal Bureau of Investigation brought a backhoe and experts in soil, archeology and river currents to a sandy Columbia River beach west of here today to seek more clues into the 8-year-old D.B. Cooper hijacking mystery.

An 8-year-old boy Sunday uncovered on the beach a small part of the \$200,000 the legendary hijacker had strapped to his body when he parachuted from a Northwest Orient Airlines 727 over Southwestern Washington November 24, 1971.

F.B.I. agents yesterday found more fragments of \$20 bills while digging at the beach. Paul Hudson, the F.B.I.'s on-site coordinator, said the fragments - the size of nickels and quarters - were found as much as 5 feet away from where the money was found Sunday. Some fragments were 3 feet under the surface.

to determine possible ways the money reached the beach. The briver recently covered the beach,

Hudson also noted that the Columbia River channel is dredged periodically and sand from the river bottom is pumped on the shore.

"It's possible that it washed up here a period of time ago . . . not 9 years ago but | County deputy sheriff was at the not necessarily recently," Hudson



Brian Ingram

Got scoop on skyjacker

Discovery of the money "prob" ably raises as many questions as it eet under the surface. does answers," Hudson said. "In my own mind I can rule out the possibility that (the money) was buried here."

Hudson said whether searchers might find Cooper's remains in the area is "one of the questions we hope to answer today.

The beach is about nine miles west of Vancouver, adjacent to a dairy farm and a popular spot for steelhead fishing. Today a Clark

farm gate, turning away fisher-, men and the curious.

One longtime fisherman, Sidney Tipper, 80, of Vancouver, was ad-mitted to fish. Tipper said, "I've been going up and down this river for 10 years. The money wasn't very deep. If it had been here (a long time) I think we'd have seen

The F.B.I. said yesterday it presumes the money had been washed downstream, possibly from a tributary to the Columbia. An Army Engineers hydrologist, said that the Washougal River was the only tributary that might have carried the money. The Washougal is the first Washington tributary upstream from Vancouver.

William M. Baker, assistant special agent for the Portland F.B.I. office, said he expected searches would be carried out along the Co lumbia to the mouth of the Wall shougal and possibly up the Wall shougal.

The money recovered Sunday, in three bundles of decomposing \$20 bills, was discovered by Brian Ingram, 8, of Vancouver. The boy

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by Richard Zahler Times staff reporter

logging community 11 miles east of Woodland,

Until a hijacker vanished mysteriously over Southwest Washington more than eight years ago, probably nothing happened in Ariel.

But D.B. Cooper put the town on the map, and yesterday and last night the telephones at the Ariel Store & Tavern were "ringing off the hook" said Dave Fisher, the owner.

Ariel happens to be near Lake Merwin, and a number of theorists suggested that Cooper might have gone into the reservoir behind the Ariel dam.

Since 1976 the Ariel Tavern has hosted an annual D.B. Cooper party on November 24, the anniversary of the hijacking in 1971. Every year 200 to 300 people have shown up to eat buffalo stew and see whether Cooper would answer the standing invitation to join the party.

He never has, of course.

Fisher bought the tavern and the tradition 15 months ago, and until 3:30 yesterday afternoon, "I lwasn't expecting a thing tonight. It's pretty dead in winter.

But then the Federal Bureau of Investigation announced in Seattle and Portland that part of \$200,000 given to the Injacker had been found along the banks of the Columbia River near Vancouver.

The moldering money, about. 34,000, was found by a family pic-ARIEL, Cowlitz County — Not Portland. A young boy digging in much happens in Ariel, a small the sandy riverbanks with a stick uncovered the loot.

After that, Fisher said, "It was just like the D.B. Cooper party."

· Fisher said he had been on the run answering telephone calls from television-network reporters in New York and newspapers and? radio stations all over the West Coast.

Only about 20 or 30 patrons were in the Ariel Tavern last. night, and most were paying as much attention to playing pool as to the Cooper talk. A weekly Tuesday-night pool match with the Riverside Tavern in Woodland hadbeen moved to Ariel last night at the request of a Portland television station interested in filming, reaction to the discovery of the,

Fisher and others said they were mystified as to how the money arrived on the banks of the Columbia River, but they still would have to be persuaded that the hi-? jacker didn't survive after hebailed out of the Boeing 727.

"I still think he's alive, until-they find some bones," Fisher.

He said the finding could lead to other developments, pointing out that the discovery by the boy wash a strange first trace of Cooper after so many years.

Then the telephone rang in the next room, Fisher raced to answer it, laughed and announced, "San Jose calling."

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by Steve Johnston Times stall reporter

Passengers on Flight, 305 reimembered the man as a guietspoken sort wearing a dark brown suit. He took the last seat on the right-hand side of the Northwest Orient Airline's flight out of Portland heading for Seattle.

The only thing unusual about the man was that he wore sun glasses, unusual because it was a rainy day on November 24, 1971, a day before Thanksgiving.

The man checked aboard the Boeing 727 under the name of "Dan Cooper" in Portland, the last leg of the flight that had start-

ed in Washington, D.C.

By the time the plane finally set down in Reno several hours later, the man who became known as "D.B. Cooper" was gone, along with \$200,000 in \$20 bills, two parachutes and a briefcase which Cooper told the stewardess contained a bomb,

Somewhere in Southwest Washl'ington, D.B. Cooper had bailed out at 10,000 feet into dark storm clouds and into history. He would remain to this day the only hijacker in the United States ever to

escape arrest.

Over the last seven years, the F.B.I, has questioned more than 1,000 possible suspects, chasedo down thousands of leads and who claim either to be Cooper or, to know his whereabouts.

But it took an 8-year-old Vancouver, Wash., boy to uncover the only piece of concrete evidence that Cooper really did bail out into . the dense forest of Southwest Washington.

Until Brian Ingram dug up 12 packets of \$20 bills while on a pic! nic with his family along the Columbia River, law-enforcement officers only assumed D.B. Cooper jumped over Southwest Washington. The plane's recorder showed a "low pressure bump" at 8:11 p.m. near Woodland, and when the plane landed in Reno, the hijacker couldn't be found.

 Hundreds of searchers spread out over the area around Woodland, hoping either to find the body or the money or just a piece of the parachute dangling from a tree. Most parachute experts consulted at the time agreed it would be almost impossible for Cooper to survive the plunge.

But within days of the hijacka ing, the legend of D.B. Cooper

started to build. People started to talk about him as a modern-day Robin Hood. They admired the daring, the planning and the ex-

ecution of the jump.

Slowly but surely, the reports of encounters with Cooper started to come out. A man in Woodland said someone knocked at his back door on November 24 about the time Cooper would have landed, but he didn't answer. Other people started turning in friends who looked like Cooper, in hopes of collecting the \$25,000 reward.

Then the stories started to appear. The now defunct Seattle heard from hundreds of people, Flag ran several pages of purport-

Kitsap County men were arrested for selling a fake interview with! Cooper to a former contributing editor of Newsweek for \$30,000.

Five months ago, two Tacoma^{ll} nen said they had talked with D.B. Cooper, who, they said, was living in Puyallup. The man told them that the money was buried under a pile of garbage at the Puyallup dump.

Mostly, however, people just have had fun with the D.B. Cooper story. T-shirts with the picture of D.B. Cooper in his sunglasses and bearing the legend, "D.B. Cooper, Where Are You?" became popular, and there even was a song written about him.

The residents of Ariel, Cowlitz County, near where Cooper supposedly bailed out, started holding an annual "D.B. Cooper Day" to commemorate the event. The festival, called the "Cooper Caper," featured buffalo stew and sky divers and attracted more than 800 people. But not, apparently, D.B. Cooper.

As for the two Federal Bureau of Investigation agents who have been on the case since it began, they say they believe D.B. Cooper probably died the night he went

but the plane.

"It is my personal opinion that he is dead," said Joseph O'Connell, who has retired. "He jumped out of a plane at 10,000 feet on a cold, raw night and he jumped in ed interview with Cooper, and two an area densely populated with Douglas fir and ponderosa pine."

Ralph Himmelsbach, Portland F.B.I. agent who is to retife Pebrill D. ruary 29, said he was "del gildlight". about the money being found. He said the find reduced the chances of Cooper ever being found alive FBI - SEATTLE to "less than 50-50."

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By Neil Modie

FBI agents yesterday found bits of more \$20 bills buried in the sand beside the Columbia River near Vancouver, Wash., and said it was more of the \$200,000 ransom collected in 1971 by airline hijacker D.B. Cooper.

Agents speculated earlier in the day that the muck and sand the money was buried in may have been dredge material. But they discounted , that theory after a geologist examined the site, about 10 miles northwest of Vancouver.

"His (the geologist's) feeling is that the probabilities are that the material was washed ashore rather than theing (in) dredged sand," FBI - Agent Raiph Himmelsbach of Portland told The Post - Intelligencer last night.

Children on a family outing on Sunday found the first half - decomposed packets of \$20 bills with which. Cooper had parachuted from a Northwest Orient jetliner on Thanksgiving Eve, Nov. 24, 1971.

The total was between \$1,000 and \$4,000, Himmelsbach said, and serial numbers checked matched numbers on the marked bills given Cooper.

The money was found farther downriver from Vancouver than FBI agents had estimated Tuesday, when they announced the discovery, and it caused Himmelsbach to return to the theory he has had since 1971 that Cooper landed - dead or alive - in the vicinity of Lake Merwin on the Lewis River about 25 miles north of Vancouver.

Himmelsbach, the agent in charge of the investigation since the hijacking took place, said he believes the dozen packets of greenbacks were gradually washed down the Lewis River and into the Columbia River Then, he said, ocean tides could have pushed them several miles up the Columbia to where they were found.

There was speculation Tuesday

that the site was too far up the Columbia for the money to have come from the Lewis River.

However, Himmelsbach said yesterday, "My understanding is that this is tidal water, and if so, there are times that this (river) runs backward. So it could have run upstream that -

Did Cooper, lightly dressed and buffeted by wind and freezing rain when he parachuted from the airlin-

er, drop the money on the way down?
"That's a good possibility," Himmelsbach said. "There's also the possibility that he just took the money, and neither he nor the money left there (where he landed).

"I feel this is an indication that" probably he didn't make it (alive), and it has been my feeling that probably he didn't make it because of the circumstances of the jump and the fact ? that he didn't have the proper equip-ment for parachuting," Himmelsbach continued.

"He didn't have a hardhat, goggles, leather gloves, jump suit or jump boots. He didn't have any of those things and he sure needed them all.

"I don't think the fall killed him," }
'Himmelsbach theorized, "but there was that sudden stop. I think probably,

there was good likelihood he was in jured during the fall and didn't have any help . . . and was unable to extricate himself (from wherever he fell). And probably is still there.

Agents continued digging yesterday, and Himmelsbach said he didn't know how long they would continue.

There was no trace at the site of 🤔 the legendary extortionist nor of his parachute, and Himmelsbach indicated he didn't expect to find such evidence there.

The ransom money was given to *Cooper at Seattle - Tacoma Interna-tional Airport after he threatened to blow up the 727 trijet while on a flight from Portland. At Sea - Tac, he allowed all the passengers and all but four members of the crew to leave, demanded and received the \$200,000 and four parachutes, and had the plane depart for Reno, Nev.

The skyjacker bailed out over Southwest Washington.

Sunday's find was particularly satisfying for Himmelsbach, who on Feb. 29 is scheduled to retire from the FBI fafter a career of nearly 29 years more than eight of which were spent trying to solve the Cooper caper. The discovery of the money was the first, solid break in the case.

"It doesn't increase my (retirement) annuity any, but it does " make me happy," Himmelsbach said.

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Himmelsbach said the find reduced to "less than 50 - 50" the odds that Cooper is still alive.

The money was found Sunday by an 8-year-old Vancouver boy, Brian Ingram, and his 5 year-old cousin, Denise, as they were digging in the sand with sticks along the river bank

during a family outing.
"This clue is the first we've had since the night of the occurrence," said Bill Baker, assistant special agent in charge of the Portland office, which the Ingram family contacted on Monday.

The money was found about 25 miles southwest of the area where the FBI had thought it most likely Cooper landed after he parachuted from the jetliner into a freezing rainstorm on

Nov. 24, 1971. The hijacker, who had used the name "Dan Cooper" to buy his airline ticket, boarded the jet in Portland, threatened to blow it up with what he claimed was a bomb in his briefcase. fthen forced it to land in Seattle to col-

ect the ransom. Cooper allowed 36 passengers aboard the flight to leave, then ordered the crew of four to fly it to Reno after \$200,000 in marked bills and four parachutes demanded by the hijacker were brought on board.

As the southbound airliner passed over Southwest Washington, the hijacker - wearing only a business suit and street shoes - parachuted

through a rear stairwell door.

As "Dan Cooper" hecame a legend, the name "D.B. Cooper" — as an FBI agent had initially identified him -

became the name that stuck.

The FBI said his chances of survival were slim because he was lightly dressed for jumping into a howling wind and a freezing rain in after parachute not likely to work.

Agents have theorized that his remains are at the boltom of Lake Merwin, its forest of underwater snags entangling his parachine, or his

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Kids Dig Tijack Cash

By Neil Modie

More than eight years after D.B. Cooper parachuted into rainy darkness from a hijacked airliner, part of . his \$200,000 loot was found buried in a river bank near Vancouver, Wash., the FBI announced yesterday.

Badly weathered and apparently washed ashore from the Columbia River, the stacks of \$20 bills say nothing encouraging about the fate of the

legendary bijacker.

"It can tell you a number of things either he dropped the money or he's dead," commented John D. Pringle, assistant special agent in charge of the FB! office in Scattle. "We can't

For Ralph Himmelsbach of Port-land, the FBI agent in charge of the investigation since it began, the dis-covery reinforces his opinion that Cooper died after he parachuted from a Northwest Orient 727 trijet on Thanksgiving Eve, 1971.



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Boy who found hijack loot gets bill as souvenir

VANCOUVER, Wash. - (AP) - Brian Ingram, the 8-year-old who uncovered some of D.B. Cooper's hijack loot, will get to keep one of the frayed \$20 bills as a souvenir.

The Federal Bureau of Investi-, gation also gave the Vancouver' boy a certificate praising him for . his discovery.

Brian was helping his father, Harold, build a fire on a Columbia. River beach February 10 when he; uncovered three bundles of weathered \$20 bills. The bills were the first evidence uncovered in the case since Cooper hijacked the jetliner in 1971.

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I wish to express to you my sincere gratitude for your assistance to the FBI in the case commonly known as the "D.B. Cooper Skyjacking". With your cooperation and use of , our investigation on your land at Tena Bar, progressed very smoothly and efficiently. It is citizens such as yourselves who have so greatly aided the FBI in carrying out its functions over the years.

Sincerely,

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Paul L. Mack Special Agent in Charge

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Mr. Frank Kanekoa Sheriff Clark County Sheriff's Office Vancouver, Washington 98660 SUB E

Dear Frank,

I wish to express to you my sincere gratitude for your assistance in the case commonly known as the "D.B. Cooper Skyjacking". The security provided by your deputies at the Tena Bar area in Vancouver greatly assisted us by allowing our Agents to fully concentrate on the search of the beach area. I have been informed that your deputies handled their positions in a very professional manner and I hope you will express my thanks to them.

Sincerely;

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moldering money—part of the \$200,- and street shoes when he jumped into 000 that the notorious airline hijacker a howling wind and freezing rain in

"D. B. Cooper" made off with more an unreliable parachute. It has been than eight years ago, the FBI said estimated that he hit the ground at a Tuesday.

With the bills now having been! The saga began when "Cooper" traced definitely to the Cooper loot, boarded the jetliner in Portland for an 30 agents from the Portland and evening flight to Seattle. Once air-Seattle FBI offices have begin an explosure by demanded that the airline Seattle FBI offices have begun an ex-borne, he demanded that the airline tensive search of the area for more of have \$200,000 in \$20 bills and three the money—and possibly for some parachutes on hand when the plane sign of Cooper or, more likely, his re-landed in Seattle. He threatened to mains.

The money—"several thousand were not met dollars," according to one official was found in Washington about five miles northwest of the Interstate 5 The strline complied, providing the bridge that spans the Columbia and parachutes and money. However, the separates Washington from Oregon, FBI said Tuesday that the serial FBI agent William M. Baker told a numbers of the bills had been recordnews conference in Portland.

Discovery of the money by Harold Dwayne Ingram, 27, his wife, Patricia, passengers to leave the plane in Seatthe latest twist in the bizarre saga of the plane to Reno and told the pilot to the now-legendary Cooper, who parachuted from a Northwest Airlines open the plane's rear stairway. jetliner on Thanksgiving Eve, 1971, never to be seen or heard from again. on the plane's intercom when they When found by the Ingrams, the were over the Washington-Oregon stacks of \$20 bills were bound by de-border. They said they believe he composing rubber bands, the FBI jumped, using the least reliable parasaid. But there was "no trace of D. B. chute. Cooper," according to the agency.

A private club was named in his build a fire. honor, D. B. Cooper T-shirts were "Here's run off and anniversary parties were son as saying. held.

Baker said in Portland that whether Cooper got away with the rest of the money was an open question.

WASHINGTON—A young Van—Law enforcement authorises long couver, Wash., family on an outing have believed that Cooper died in his along the Columbia River last Sunday plunge from the Boeing 727 because suddenly stumbled across 12 stacks of ne was wearing only a business suit

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Crew members last heard his voice

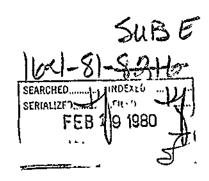
The decomposed money was found Shortly after the hijacking, a cult 17 to 20 miles from the jump site by sprang up around D. B. Cooper, a the Ingrams' older son, Brian. The name that never has been traced to bills were partly buried in sand that the Ingrams were accoping out to

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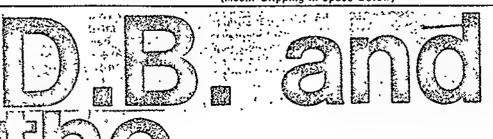
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000 paid to airline hijacker "D.B. that Cooper died in the hijacking Cooper," have been found on a attempt. Columbia River beach near here, Cooper's extortion effort was the the FBI announced yesterday.

Patricia, 26, and their two sons, ings for cash have been carried out iwere picnicking on what is known since the Cooper escapade. as Tena's Bar last Sunday when Baker said the FBI could not be their older son discovered the certain how much money was in money.

Eight-year-old Brian Ingram was to "several thousand dollars."
helping his father gather firewood. The money has been sent to the and had scooped out sand for a FBI laboratory in Washington, fire. As his father was about to D.C., and Baker hopes the lab will Ingram said, "Wait a minute, bills, which could lead to the Daddy." drop an armload of wood, young be able to pick fingerprints off the

Recalling his find yesterday, "That would Brian said, "I seen that money, I break, he said. thought, wow.'

But his parents remained calm, the son recalled. They thought it was counterfeit."

The tattered and worn bills young Ingram found were the first to be recovered by law enforcement agencies since Nov. 24, 1971, when a passenger hijacked a Northwest Airlines Boeing 727.

The man, identified on the flight list as Dan Cooper, parachuted out of the airliner somewhere over southwestern Washington.

The serial numbers on the bills discovered by young Ingram matched those on the money given Cooper by the FBI in 1971.

ANCOUVER, Wash. - William M. Baker, assistant agent Twelve packets of \$20 in charge of the Portland FBI bills, used eight years office, said discovery of the money ago as part of the \$200, lends credence to the FBI theory

first time a jet had been hijacked Harold D. Ingram, 27, his wife, for ransom. A number of hijack-

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Mystery remains in the saga of D.B. Cooper

ORTLAND, Ore. — The mystery surrounding D.B. Cooper's skyjacking and disappearance eight years ago has been rekindled by a Vancouver, Wash., family's inadvertent discovery of worn packets of \$20 bills on the Columbia River shoreline — part of Cooper's \$200,000 ransom.

The saga which changed the nature of airline piracy began on Thanksgiving Day, 1971, when Cooper boarded Northwest Airlines flight 305 for a flight from Portland to Seattle. Once aboard, he handed a crew member a note, saying he was carrying a bomb in a satchel and wanted \$200,000 in unmarked \$20 bills.

When the jetliner landed at the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport that evening, authorities had arranged the cash and had also obtained four parachutes, as instructed by Cooper.

Cooper then allowed the flight's 36 passengers and all crew members but two pilots and one stewardess to disembark. He then ordered the aircraft to take off for Reno, Nev.

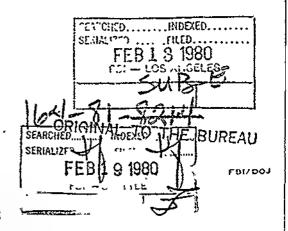
At one point in that flight, the crew felt a fluctuation in cabin pressure, which suggested the jet-liner's rear cabin door had opened.

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FOR INFO RECEIVING OFFICES, AT 3:30 PM, PST, TODAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1985, P. CONFERENCE DILL BE HELD IN POLITICAL OFFICE WHICH WILL ARTO LOSS THE FOLLOWING:

FOR CREGON, HAS ANNOUNCED A DEVELOPMENT IN A CRIME WHICH BEGAN ON THE NIGHT OF FOVEMBER 24, 1971, AT PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, POPTLAND, ORECON, AND HAS BECOME WIDLLY KNOWN SINCE THAT TIME AS THE D. B. COOPER HIJECTIC CIDE.

ON THE NIGHT BEFORE THANKSCIVIBE, 1971, A M. SEL CAVE

PAGE TWO' PD 164-41 UNCL THE NAME DAN COOPER BOUGHT A ONE-WAY TICKET ON NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305 FROM PORTLAND, OREGON, TO SEATTLE, WASHINGTON. UPON DEPARTING PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, COOPER NOTIFIED A STEWARDESS THAT HE WAS HIJACKING THE AIRCRAFT AND DISPLAYED TO HER WHAT HE SAID WAS A BOMB IN HIS BRIEFCASE. THE FLIGHT PROCEEDED TO SEATTLE, WHERE AFTER MAINTAINING A HOLDING PATTERN FOR SEVERAL HOURS, IT WAS PERMITTED TO LAND AND REFUEL. \$200,000 AND FOUR PARACHUTES DEMANDED BY THE HIJACKER WERE BROUGHT ON BOARD, HE RELEASED ALL OF THE PASSENGERS AND ALL BUT FOUR MEMBERS OF THE CREW. THE FLIGHT THEN TOOK OFF AND PROCEEDED SOUTH THROUGH WASHINGTON TOWARD RENO, NEVADA. THE HIJACKER INSTRUCTED THAT THE FLAPS AND GEAR REMAIN LOWERED AND THE REAR STAIR DOOR OPEN. AS THE AIRCRAFT PASSED OVER LACEUTER, WASHINGTON, CABIN -PRESSURE FLUCTUATION WAS OBSERVED, WHICH WAS LATER DETERMINED TO INDICATE HIS DEPARTURE FROM THE AIRCRAFT THROUGH THE REAR STAIRWELL DOOR. SINCE THAT TIME NO TRACE OF THE HIJACKER, THE PARACHUTES, OR THE MONEY HAS BEEN FOUND UNTIL SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1980.

ON THAT DATE WHILE ON AN OUTING WITH

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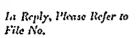
WASHINGTON . DI JCOVERED A SUM OF MONEY PARTIALLY BURIED BY SAND IN THE MORTH RIVER BACK OF THE COLUMBIA RIVER, APPROXIMATELY FIVE MILES DOWN RIVER FROM THE U.S. INTERSTATE 5 BRIDGE CROSSING BETUEEN PORTLAND AND VANCOUVER. WASHINGTON: [THE FBI AND AN EXAMINATION OF THE BADLY DECOMPOSED \$20 BILL'S REVEALS THAT THEY BEAR SERIAL NUMBERS IDENTICAL TO A PORTION OF THOSE GIVEN TO . THE HIJACKER. BECAUSE OF THE DECOMPOSED NATURE OF THE BILLS AN EXACT ESTIMATE OF THE RECOVERED MONEY IS NOT POSSIBLE PEH JING A LAPORATORY EXAMINATION, NOVEVER, IT APPEARS TO BE SEVERAL THOUSAND DOLLARS. THE PACKAGING AND THE NUMBERED SEQUENCE INDICATE THAT THE BILLS HAVE NOT BEEN SEPARATED AND ARE IN MUCH THE SAME ORDER AS WHEN GIVEN TO THE HIJACKER. WILL BE SENT IMMEDIATELY TO THE FBI LABORATORY FOR ADDITIONAL EXAMINATION.

IT APPEARS LOCICAL THAT THE PACKAGE OF BILLS COULD HAVE BEEN CARRIED DOWNSTREAM ON ONE OF THE WASHINGTON TRIBUTARIES OF THE COLUMBIA RIVER TO THE SITE WHERE THEY VERE FOUND.

SPECIAL AGENTS OF THE FBI FROM OREGON AND WASHINGTON HAVE SECURED THE AREA AND COMMERCED AN INTENSIVE SEARCH:

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL TURING OF THE STICKTION

915 Second Avenue Seattle, Washington 98174 January 22, 1980

January 22, 1980
Vancouver, Washington
Reference is made to your letter concerning D. B. Cooper addressed to Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, 915 Second Avenue, Seattle, Washington, and dated January 12, 1979.
D. B. Cooper is appreciated. In the event you have any specific information concerning the actual whereabouts of Cooper and/or the money, you are requested to contact the Vancouver Resident Agency office of the FBI at telephone number 695-5661. The information you have provided in the above referenced letter, while interesting, does not indicate why you believe Cooper to be in the area you indicate he is in or why you believe the money to be there also. As you are well aware, the FBI cannot deal in supposition, but must have specific facts prior to conducting any investigation. As such, it is necessary that you be specific in your information.
Thank you for your interest in this matter.
Very truly yours, Paul L. Mack Special Agent in Charge by: Supervisory Special Agent
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Federal Bureau of Investigation 915 Second Avenue Seattle, Washington, 98104

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Please open the enclosed map of the state of Washington and start at The Seal of the State of Washington.

Follow this pencil line to the place where it crosses another pencil line (in the lower part of the circle I have drawn).

I believe this to be the approximate location of the remains of Cooper, the man who jumped from the plane with \$200.000.00 in his possession.

The money is also in this area.

I also beleive I can be of help in actually finding both the remains of Cooper, and the money, if I am on the site with you.

Please beleive I am not looking for personal glory for myself. What I am interested in is being of help , and the satisfaction of of knowing I helped in a good cause.

Should you decide my help would be worthwhile, as far as I am concerned, no one else beside you and I need know about the matter. You can be the judge of the matter.

I am and I will say that if some one, had offered to	b6
help me in a matter such as this, I would probably have laughed in his	ь7с
face. (Before I knew of , that is.)	
However, I have learned that have been successfully finding all sorts of things for the last five hundred years, including people.	-
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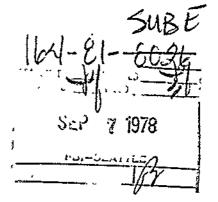
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Memorandum

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subject:		ATTLE				Jub Jub		
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		ruled	l out as	far as a		area into	of the lake which UNSUB aircraft.	
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Memorandum

TO

:FILE (164-81)

DATE:

8/24/78

FROM

:SAC JOHN M. REED

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

164-81-7136

Kirkland.

telephonically contacted me Wa. (telephone/ and advised that he

Globe Insurance Company, which has the insurance policy for Northwest Airlines in this matter. He said he has been working on the possibility that UNSUB may have landed in Lake Merwin as he has, through use of

, located what he thinks is a body in 100-150 feet of water. He says he has been working on this theory and has searched a number of areas of Lake Merwin, and wanted specific information as to the possible landing area.

I informed him that insofar as I could recall, the entire matter of exactly where he landed is conjecture due to a number of variables, i.e., wind on the night in question; size of chute; weight of the individual; period of time before UNSUB released parachute, etc.

This matter was referred to SA in an attempt to resolve any of the questions which may have.

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DATE:	7/19/78	
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REPLY TO ATTN OF:	SA	

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SUBJECT: NORJAK (A) OO: SEATTLE

BUfile 164-2111

TO:

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

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On March 22, 1978,	b7C
, Kirkland, Wash-	
ington, advised telephonically, that he was currently	
on Lake Merwin using his equipment and that he would call the <u>Seattle</u> Office of the FBI in a few days with	
results further advised that he was on Channel	
16 and his <u>vessel number</u> was His call	
number was	
On 4/26/78, again telephonically	b6
advised the Seattle Office that he had found in Lake	b7C
Merwin what he thought was a body. stated he	
was to reach this unknown object	
and had to call off his search temporarily. advised	
that he would recontact the Seattle Office to bring them	
up to date	
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On 5/8/78, again telephonically attempted	b6 b7С
to contact the Seattle Office.	570
On 5/10/78, appeared at the Seattle Office	b6
and advised that he had found an object in Lake Merwin	ъ7с
that he thought might be a body and in attempting to reach	
it had had	
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advised that he intended to return to Lake Merwin and	
continue his search and would immediately advise the	
Longview RA or the Seattle Office of the FBI if any items	ь6 ь7с
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following information at his request: The color of the	8 =
parachute canopy used by D. B. COOPER; the description of	9783
parachute canopy used by D. B. COOPER; the description of his clothes and the approximate heading of the Norjak //o/-//aircraft. stated he was being aided in his underwater	100
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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

DB Cooper 2/4/9

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

то	:	SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P) DATE: 4/8/77	
FROM	:	SA .	ь6 ь7
subjec	T:	NORJAK OO: SEATTLE BUFILE 164-2111 RE: SEARCH AREA	
		SUB E WIND AND WEATHER SUB U	
		Re memo of SA dated 3/14/77. On March 29, 1977,, Washington, home telephone,	ь6 ь7
	i 3 0 0 t T	contacted at his home and he provided the following ormation:	b6 b7
	n h e g p t	advised that when he landed at Portland the d was from 160 degrees at 35 knots and this was approxiely 7:49 P.M. During the flight down to Portland, iced that his cruising altitude of about 13,000 feet that was flying into a headwind of about 60 knots. lained that on the way to Seattle from Portland his und speed was 480 knots, but on the way back down to than the wind apparently was shifting from approximately 160 approximately 200 degrees. Seattle: Seattle: APR 8 1977	b6
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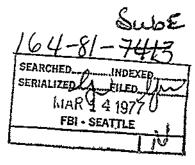
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Date: 3/1/77

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	TO:	SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)	-
	FROM:	SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)	
	SUBJECT:	NORJAK (00: Seattle)	
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	Airport b	Washington, was interviewed at Portland International	b6 b7
	He became progress		b6 b7
	Flight 30 the same	rport enroute for Portland shortly after Northwest 05, which was being hijacked, and that he followed course flown by Northwest Flight 305 but was approximately ites behind the Northwest flight when it arrived at	b6 b7
	the most He said t airways f experience	rliners, he recalls that night of 11/24/71, as being rapid and severe weather change in his experience. that when he was approaching Portland, along Victor 23 lying a course of approximately 166 degrees, he was sing a wind directly from 166 degrees at 80 knots of speed	b6 b7
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

то :	SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)	DATE: 12/29/76	
FROM :	ASAC	_	o6 o7C
subject:	NORJAK	Since C	
	On 12/28/76, ASAC telephonically advised that the Bureau ha tion with the Allen Lansburg Productions firm could produce a 30 minute film based stated that the authorization i of SA who is the case agent i research crew as well as photograph him d stated that they desired to get at the Lake Merwin site and we area for these photographs and office since the area is in the Seattle D	ad authorized coopera- in order that the d on captioned matter. included an interview in Portland, by the during the interview. t photographs of ere proceeding to that was advising this	⇒6 ⇒7¢ ⇒6 ⇒7¢
	advised that they wou to Seattle to obtain additional informati items they desired to see was the transcr between the control tower and the pilot a hijacking. stated that the AUS refused to grant them permission to hear felt that they could be shown the transcr	ion and one of the fript made of the tapes at the time of the SA in Portland had the actual tapes, but	⊳6 ⊳7C
	On 12/29/76, I was contacted by Lansburg Productions regarding this matter advised that I had not received any appropriate him with any information and state at them telephonically contacted Affairs Division who advised that cooperate to the extent that it would not interfere	er at which time he was by val from FBIHQ to furnish ted he would call back. External ation had been authorized	o6 o7C
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DB Cooper-27486

SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50)	1/3/77
SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)	
NORJAK CO: SEATTLE Bufile 164-2111	*
Re: Sub E SEARCH AREA	
Re letter from Seattle Division of the FBI dated 12/10/76.	, to the
Enclosed for the Sacramento Division i of reletter.	s one copy
LEADS:	
SACRAMENTO DIVISION	

Will contact ________, and determine if he has any firsthand information or knowledge concerning this matter. If it is determined that _______ does not have any information of value concerning this matter, he should be advised that the military has provided expert personnel who have calculated the drop zone for unsub in this matter and therefore _______ services, although appreciated, are not desired at this time.

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Mr. Farrell Federal Bureau of Investigation 915 2nd Avenue Seattle, Wash 98174

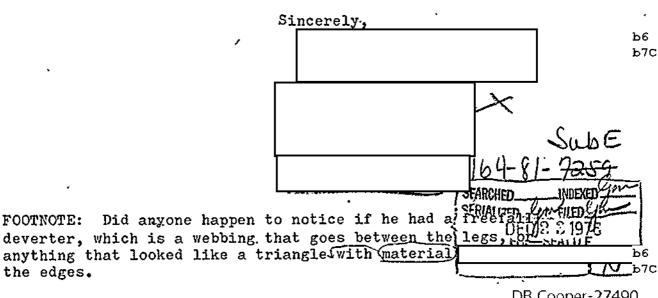
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Dear Mr. Farrell:

RE: . Telephone conversation 9:20 a.m. this date

The following is information I need to solve the skyjacking involving North West Air Lines in 1971, by Cooper:

- ı. Date of skyjacking.
- Time 727 jet was airborn (air strip). 2.
- 3. Compass heading after level flight.
- 4. Compass heading when skyjacker finished adjustment of personal effects.
 - Time skyjacker disappeared from sight on plane. 5•
 - 6. Time skyjacker was definitely not on plane.
- When act occurred, elevation of plane starting at zero 7. level; ground level temperature; and barometric reading.
- 8. Wind knots, and direction.
- Whether he had 1 or 2 parachutes; weight of chutes); weight of money; approximate weight of clothing and boots.
- 10. Estimate of height and weight of skyjacker.



DB Cooper-27490

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150 WILLIAM STREET

NEW YORK, N. Y. 10038

September 9, 1976

Federal Bureau of Investigation Seattle, Washington 98174

TEL: (212) 732-8400

Dear Sir:

Hijacking Northwest Airlines Date of <u>Loss: 11/24/71</u> Claim#:

Following our September 1, 1976 telephone conversation re above I would like to bring you up-to-date on all the recent tips we received due to the courtesy and cooperation

of the Northwest Orient Airlines: 164-91-1083 As you have been previous: *informed* we have been negotiating with of Kirkland, Washington on Lake Merwin, State of

We are preparing a contract with Washington. this <u>independent</u> entrepreneur. We will advise you will be ready to start and keep you posted on the developments.

2. We called attorney of Maples, Florida on 8/23/76 in connection with his letter of 8/11/76 addressed to [of the Northwest Orient Airlines, copy attached. This is what told me: He knows a waitress, presently employed in Naples, formerly living in Miami, Florida. The woman alleges that she knew Cooper under his real name, not disclosed during our telephone conversation with attorney Cooper had a detective agency in Miami and was using an alias Cooper on occasion. He was a paratrooper(?) and bragged that he would undertake some sort of a stunt or hijacking to get hold of

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b6 September 9, 1976 b7C Federal Bureau of Investigation Re: Hijacking Northwest Airlines 11/24/71 The woman allegedly knows Cooper's friends and could help to trace him. Ъ6 Attorney told me that the Federal Bureau b7C of Investigation was informed of those details about 2½ years ago, but apparently the information did not warrant the Bureau's attention. The attorney suggested a meeting in his office between the woman and a representative of our company. b6 For the time being this tip was laid to rest. ъ7С Following | 3. of Oakland, California, dated 8/10/76, copy attached, - 1 called on September 1, 1976. He told me that he knows somebody who knows Cooper. Cooper is allegedly in the sheet metal business operations. was told to get in touch with us if he has anything concrete to report. He wanted to know how much we were willing to pay for this information. I indicated to him that we would consider sharing the redeemable money on a reasonable basis. linformer was. were not told who b6 b7C was referring to this individual as his We are not attaching too much hope to | submitted "clue". As I told you I had called b6 b7C Napa, California. Please refer to the attached copy of his 8/15/76 letter to Northwest Airlines. Inc. Please confirm your statement that the parts of a parachute allegedly found by did not match the material of the parachute used by D. B. Cooper. We will obviously abandon this lead based on the information supplied by you.

Hopefully somethingmore concrete will eventually develop, which

August 11, 1976
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AUG 23 1976
Northwest Orient Airlines Minnesota St. Paul National Airport St. Paul, Minnesota 55111
Dear:
My office represents a young lady, formerly of Miami, Florida. that believed she has information concerning the whereabouts of a man using the alias of D. B. Cooper, being the same man that hijacked a Northwest Orient airplane on or about the latter part of November in 1970.
If the man has not been apprehended and you are interested in the information that she has, please drop us a line.

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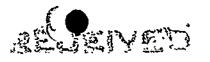
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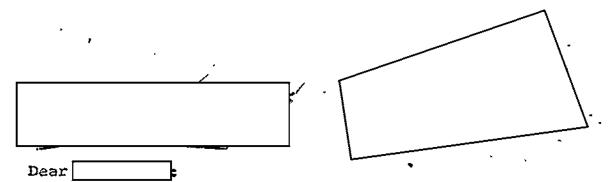
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August 10, 1976



In answer to your telephone call of yesterday, your contact in reference to D.B. Cooper (Northwest Airlines hijack) is as follows: ________, Royal Globe Insurance, New York, New York; telephone: (212) 732-8400, extension _______.

If this office can be of any further assistance to you, please feel free to drop us a line at your convenience.

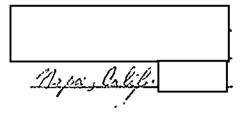
Very truly yours,

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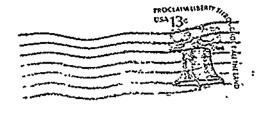


northwest airlines das! D.B. Cooper Gentlemen Fast fall while hunting in the Sieva Mountaine, I found a piece of parachute hidden under a log. I. Thought The chute may have been Coopers, so I gave it to The F. B. J. and They brought it back to me This spring, and said That it evelst be her chute, They couldn't Toll, Since Then, my wife and I have made severe Trips back up there, but it worn't untill July, That conditions were right That we could Track him . The following his Irail for 21/2 miles and found enough evidence to prove to is That it was Cooper, That he was backly injured and That he could not possibly have made it out to the neavest kertilion but I had to some home to work as

may 15, 1976







Northwest airlines Inc. Minneapolis Stand Int. Airport It Paul, Minn. 55111

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO

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DATE: 6/29/76

FROM

SA THOMAS J. MANNING

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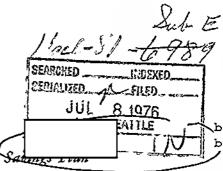
SUBJECT: NOP JAK

Attached to this memo is a letter received at Longview RA on 6/28/76.

This letter was previously mentioned in a memo of the writer concerning a telephone call from ______ of ROYAL-GI,OBE INSUPANCE.

Contact with _____ in Seattle, mentioned in letter, being left to discretion of case agent.

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NEW YORK, N. Y. 10038

TEL: (212) 732-8400

June 22, 1976

Mr. Thomas J. Manning Federal Bureau of Investigation P. O. Box 429 Longview, Washington 98632

Dear Sir:

Insured: Northwest Airlines Hijacking 11/24/71

This furthers your June 15, 1976 telephone conversation concerning the potential recovery of the funds, which we paid to the captioned insured as a result of the hijacking of one of its planes by an individual identified as D. B. Cooper.

The Northwestern Airlines were apparently approached by . of Kirkland, Washington, who offered his services as with the indication that, according to his information, the hijacker landed with the money in a , would be able to locate the lake, and that he. bag and possibly the body of the late D. B. Cooper and bring it to the surface.

The Northwestern Airlines contacted our attorney, who in turn advised us of the situation.

We then contacted by phone and this is briefly what | told us:

He in Kirkland. He has

and since he believes, on the basis of the information, which he was able to gather, that D. B. Cooper with the money landed in a lake in the Louis River Canyon, he would undertake the search for the money for a certain percen

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directed us to your with the Seattle, Washington F. B. I., who in turn informed us that the Lake (Merwin) is in your operational territory and that it may be wise to contact you.				
We are seriously considering services. If you can throw some light on the background of the story and assist us in our endeavors, would you please get in touch with in our Seattle, Washington Claim Office, 490 Dexter Horton Building, telephone number is				
will convey to us any information obtained from you and we will then eventually decide upon our further course.				
Thanking you in advance for your cooperation, we remain,				
Very truly yours,				
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cc: Seattle, Washington Claim Office				

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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FROM :	SA THOMAS J. MANNING	•	SUITE
subject:	NORJAK 00: Seattle		
contacte given to	This date 150 Williams Street, New Yord the writer at Longview RA; her by the company's son familiar with captioned many the captions of the	k, New York 10038 She advised name in Seattle , telepho	of writer was . Washington,
	stated she has t	peen contacted by agton telephone	(home and both
business) who stated he advised that he has a		
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Northwes to North stated t court bu been pai	She pointed out that he original retains atter and was refer to Airlines in litigation concerns which was the insurance that the company fought payment after litigation were told d. Under rights of subrogations to the money COOPER received.	red to an attorney terning payment by carrier for the aid to pay the amount to Royal now has a	y who rem esented Royal insurance irline. She 210,000 in and this has
she knew fact pic would be all recominimum objective specific that base	told her he would be we with in hopes of a that the FBI had serial numbers of each bill. He stated to surrendered to Royal and his evered monies. He did not was charge but would do everything the being the 50-50 split. He sally set out this 50-50 split and hackground check to determine	recovery of same. pers of all the billed that if the mone is payment would be not a down payment a light at his own risk stated he wanted at with Royal and and their Seattle research.	She stated b7 Lls and had in by was found it one half of and had no with his final a contract to advised b6 conresentative b7
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This check revealed very little except that his company was new and was not known to places like Better Business Bureau, was not listed in phone book etc. She stated she did not doubt the legitimacy of however. She continued that she was going to bring to Royal's management attention the desire for a contract with, and would advise Seattle Division by letter if they are going under contract.	ъ6 ъ7с
She asked that not be contacted until contractual	b6
matter is resolved. No statement was made by writer that we would or would not contact. Further she was not advised that has contacted SA explaining his .	ь7c
From everything she said it would appear that is another in a long line of individuals who have searched, on their own, for the money in the general search area FBI and army personnel operated. However it is felt that an interview with would be in order in the event he has not been completely candid with SA and does have some definite information as to location of money. It is requested that no information re contact with be revealed at time of contact.	ь6 b7c
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FROM	:	SA	ь6 ь70
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	•	RE: SUB E - SEARCH AREA SUB CC - SEARCH PERSONNEL SUB DD - COMPLAINTS RESULTING FROM SEARCH	
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	containe	advised he has developed a closed circuit m whereby he tows a TV camera in a waterproof r from the back of his boat and it is possible, g to, to control the depth of this towed a.	ъ6 ъ70
	can only the visi putation	stated the average depth of Lake Merwin ximately 140 ft. and that at that depth, a man dive for about one hour a day stated bility should be about 100 ft. but for his coms he will use 30 ft. as a minimum visibility.	ъ6 ъ7С
		timates he will be able to search a 64 ft. wide rea traveling at 5 miles per hour co-partner , and according to, he has started a with	ъ6 ъ70

about \$5,000 in the project and _____ was interested in learning about all rewards offered concerning captioned matter. The writer provided such information to _____.

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SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

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As a matter of information for Seattle, a woman who identified herself as, Portland, telephone, contacted the Portland Division by telephone 11/23/73 and advised that she recalled at the time of the hijacking incident involved in this matter she had read in a newspaper that an elderly man had been found in critical condition at the edge of Lake Merwin in southern Washington. He apparently had nearly drowned in the lake. He was taken to the hospital and did not know the outcome.
said she just thought that this man might be D.B. COOPER or at least there might be some connection. She did not know the man's identity and could provide no further details.

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OO: SEATTLE

Re Seattle letter to Atlanta, 5/11/73.

Continuous efforts were made by SA
to contact
, Lilburn, Ga., with negative results. It was
ascertained that who was employed by Travelers
Insurance Co., Atlanta, Ga., was on leave and would return
to work on 7/30/73.
On 7/30/73, the U.S. Department of Agriculture
Forest Service Map was returned to
at the Travelers Insurance Company,
, 230 Peachtree Street, Atlanta, Ga.

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Re Atlanta lotter to Seattle, 4/30/73.

Enclosed for the Atlanta Office is a U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service map of the Joseph Ranger District, Wallowa Whitman National Forest, dated in 1965.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

4/30/73

SAC, ATLANTA (164-254) (RUC)

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This map is being made available for the assistance of the Seattle Division. _____ has requested that when the map has served its purpose that it be returned to him.

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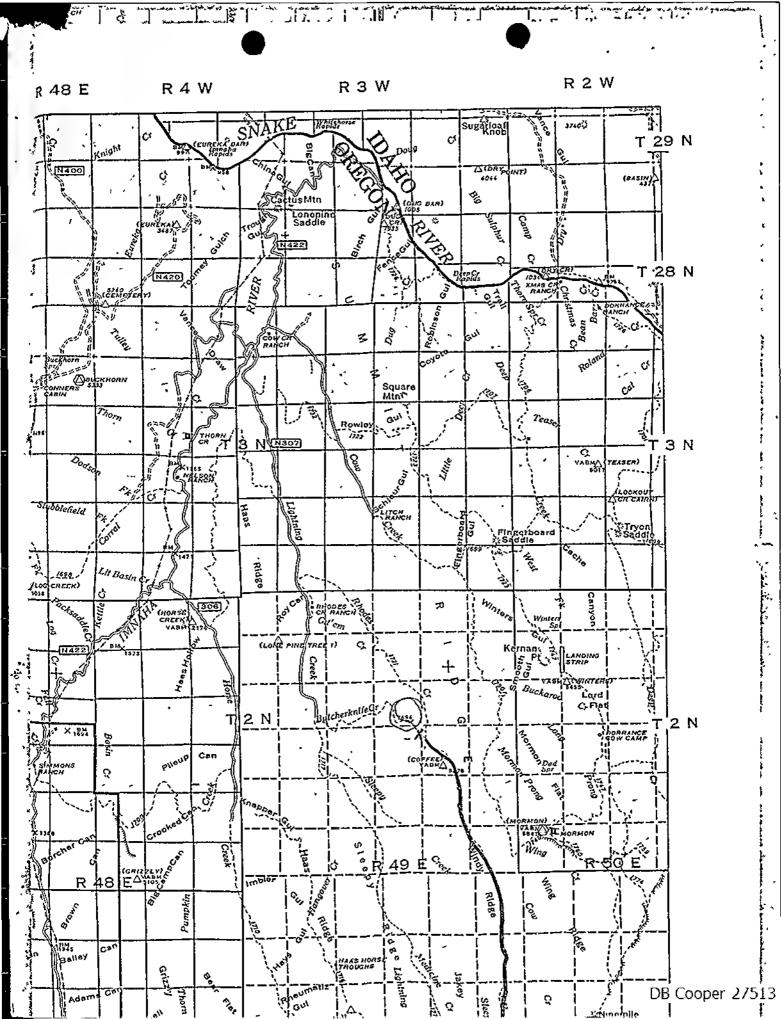
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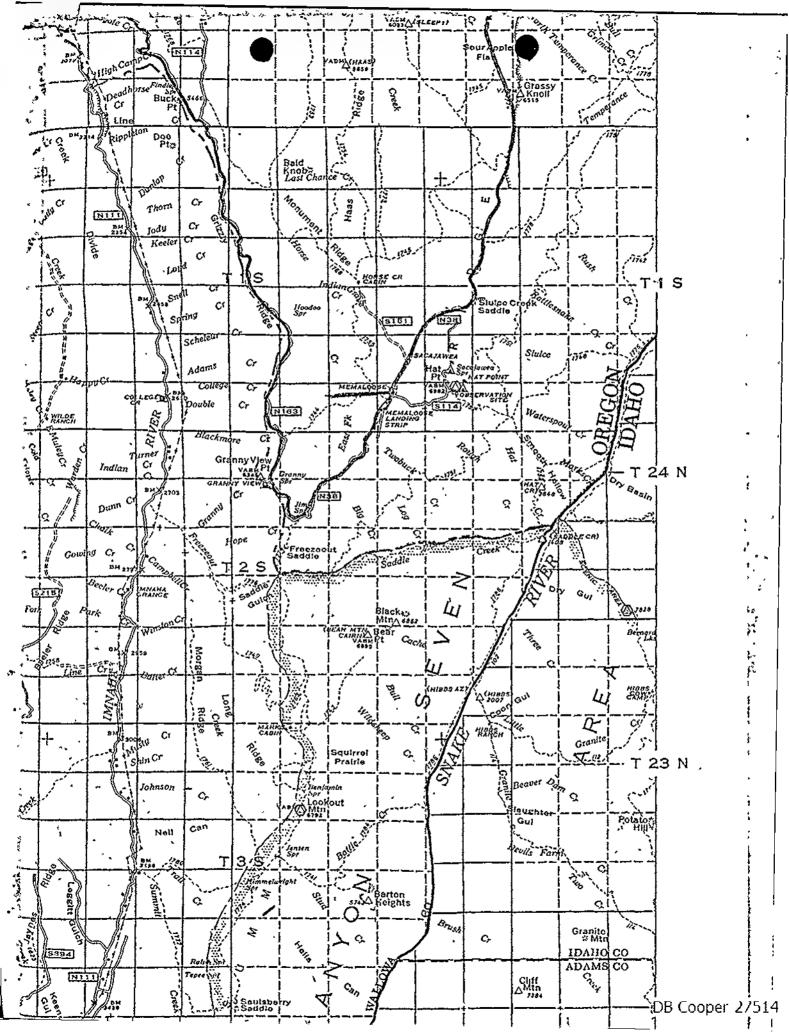
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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

3/30/73

SA THOMAS J. MANNING

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Upon cessation of the most recent terrain search in Clark County, Washington it is felt that the following comments are pertinent since they come from one individual who has participated in every search operation which have a total time expenditure of approximately 9 weeks.

The search conducted by the United States Army was the best effort which could be expended considering the number of personnel involved, logistic and support problems, weather and terrain factors. This is pointed out by one speaking from actual experience, intimately acquainted with details of the various searches, since there appears to have arisen some question on the adequacy of the military search.

The searches conducted by Agent personnel were also the best effort which could be put forth considering the same problems mentioned above.

The most recent search appears to have been based upon the securing of new data which corrected the most logical spot at which the hijacker exited from the aircraft, which resulted in the moving of what has been referred to in past communications as point A. However no concrete information has been developed that the parachute of the hijacker did not open and the renewing of the search of the terrain at new point A appears to have been based on mere conjecture that the chute did not in fact deploy.

In view of the above it is respectfully and earnestly recommended that absent concrete information concerning the hijacker or evidence in this matter being in the searched or unseached terrain that no further terrain searches be undertaken. It is felt that to do so would result in an unwarranted expenditure of agent time and effort and an expenditure of Bureau funds which is not economically feasible or justified.

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AIRMAIL.

TO:

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM:

SAC, HONOLULU (164-85) (Roc)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re Seattle nitel, 3/7/73.

On 3/8/73, SA's

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	OPEN, WAS THOROUGHLY AND COMPLETELY SEARCHED DURI	NG THE WEEK
	OF 3/12-16/73 WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.	
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Approved: .

Special Agent in Charge

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NR 004 SF PLAIN
11:40 AM NITEL 3/10/73 MCC
TO SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) (RUC) 1P Sub-E
NORJAK.
RE YOUR TELETYPE DATED 3/7/73.
ON 3/10/73,
, SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, ADVISED THEY ARE
IN LA CENTER, WASHINGTON, DESCRIBED
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FROM :	SPC Sub E Sub R	ь6 ь7
subject:	NORJAK	
	At 9:52 PM, 3/9/73, Description, Orchards, Wash. (N.E. of Vancouver, Wash.), telephone, telephonically advised that he has Wash., for a number of years. He said that he was out there this afternoon and found that someone has built an elaborate	Ь6 Ь7
	tree-house in a large wooded area located just off Apparently this person has also posted "no trespassing" signs around the tree-house.	
	stated he did not see anybody around the area when he was out there, but explained he did not stay around very long to investigate. He sounded as if he was afraid he may get shot. He has no idea when the tree-house was built, since he has not been out there for about two to three years.	ь6 ь7
	believes that his property lies within the area where D.B. COOPER reportedly parachuted. He said that he would like to have an agent contact him at the above telephone number or address and he would show the agent where the tree-house could be found. In addition, he said he would like this matter settled as soon as possible for he will be selling the land in the near future.	ь6 ъ7
	was advised that his information would be given to the case agent the first thing Monday next.	ъ6 ъ7

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 то:	SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM:	SAC, ALEXANDRIA (164-72)(P)
	SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) SAC, ALEXANDRIA (164-72)(P) NORJAK (00: SEATTLE) Sub X POSEcipted to Alexandria 2/15/73
	ReSEairtel to Alexandria, 2/15/73.
the fol	Transmitted under separate cover for Seattle are lowing fourteen items:
	1) One copy of Seattle Sectional Aeronautical Charon scale 1:500,000.
	 One copy of U. S. Department of Interior Geolog Survey Index of Topographic Maps of Washington.
	3) Two copies each of fifteen-minute quadrangle may (scale 1:62,500 or one inch equals approximately one mile) of the Pigeon Springs, La Center, Yacand Cougar areas of Washington.
	4) Two copies each of maps (scale of 1:250,000) of the Vancouver and Hoquiam area of Washington.
	The following investigation was conducted by SA on 2/27/73.
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Approved: _____Special Agent in Charge

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Alexandria, Virginia, advised flight crews normally carry sectional aeronautical charts on the scale of 1:500,000 and that larger charts on the scale of 1:250,000 are used only by training crews.

| stated his office only maintains the 1:500,000 scale b6 charts and furnished one of the Seattle area which includes b7c the area in question which is encircled in black magic marker pencil located by the coordinates of 122 degrees and 30 minutes longitude and 46 degrees and zero minutes latitude. | stated additional charts of Seattle area on the scale of 1:500,000 as well as charts on the scale of 1:250,000 can be obtained at Post Headquarters, G-2, Fort Lewis Army Base, Tacoma, Washington.

Map Distribution b6 District - Washington, Department of Interior, 1200 South Eads Street, Arlington, Virginia, furnished a copy of the U. S. Department of Interior Geological Survey Index of Topographic Maps of Washington. She advised the area in question is located in their Vancouver and Hoquiam, Washington, maps in the scale of 1:250,000. In addition, a larger scale of the area is contained in the fifteen-minute (scale 1:62,500 or one-inch equals approximately one mile) quadrangle maps of the Pigeon Springs, La Center, Yacolt, and Cougar, Washington, areas. latter maps are the largest scale available except that the southern half of the La Center map can be obtained on a larger scale (seven and a half-minute maps of the Ridgefield and Battleground, Washington, areas on scale of 1:24,000 or one-inch equals _ furnished copies of the maps for the Ъ6 2,000 feet). b7C above-mentioned Pigeon Springs, La Center, Yacolt, Cougar, Vancouver, and Hoquiam, Washington, areas.

was very cooperative and apologized several times because some of the fifteen-minute quadrangle maps were dirty and soiled around the borders. This condition exists she stated because her office basically handles only the maps for the Eastern States (east of the Mississippi) and thus the few Western State maps on her shelves linger on the shelf and become dirty. She stated copies of the maps of the Western States are basically furnished by the Distribution Section, U. S. Geological Survey, Federal Center, Denver, Colorado.

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P) Sub-E SA THOMAS J. MANNING NORJAK Re search of new area at drop zone a conference was held 3/9/73 with agents to be involved in search. $^{
m D}$ ecision was made to commence search as early as practicable on 3/12/73 with prime drop zone at new Point A to be first area searched. Case agent has requested that shovels (entrenching tools) and machetes be secured to assist in search. SAs will take SE 99 to Vancouver, Washington b6 b7C and will pick up below listed equipment at whatever location it can be secured: 8 entrenching tools 11 ponchos 11 pair of rain pants (suspender type) 10 machetesor some type of brush cutting device Headquarters for search will be SE 99 (mobile) and Quay Motel (fixed). Search in initial phase to commence 3/12/73 and end 3/16/73 at 4:00 PM. Agents from Seattle Hq will return to Seattle afternoon of 3/16/73. b6 SA has telephonically advised that he has secured b7C waiver of search forms from all individuals in prime I square mile area and for distance of 12 mile north and south of prime area. SA will bring photographic equipment, evidence b6 kit and other material which will be necessary in event remains b7C or evidence are located. 4 portable radios will be secured from with charger and will be transported by agents in SE 99. will drive SE 90 with SAs will have vehicle (number unknown) which he will, b7C drive accompanied by SA 164-81-4502 Agents from Seattle Division will leave at 7:30 AM, 3/12/73 and will meet with writer at Quay Motel, Vancouver for briefing and it is anticipated that search will commence afternoon of 3/12/73 (2) TJM/

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7:15 PM NITEL 3-7-73 DCB

TO HONOLULU (164-85)

VIA WASHINGTON

PORTLAND (164-41)

SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) (P) IP

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NORJAK.

FOR INFORMATION OF RECEIVING OFFICES, SEATTLE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT EXTENSIVE GROUND SEARCH IN WOODED AREA NEAR LA CENTER, WASHINGTON, BEGINNING 3-12-73, TO LOOK FOR REMAINS OF UNSUB, AKA D.B. COOPER.

ALL RECEIVING OFFICES CONTACT PERSONS LISTED BELOW AND HAVE AN FD-26 EXECUTED.

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	airtel to	Re WFO letter to Alexandria, o Alexandria, 2/5/73:	11/20/72; and Seattle
	December, determine training the continuous located when the continuous located with t	, Arlington, Virginia, during t, 1972, and January, 1973, in a who would have authority to r missions in visual aerial phto inental United States. To date who could positively state that acted and he advised that he ha	n attempt to re-route military re-route military representation of the second second to this could be done.
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TO:

SAC, ALEXANDRIA (164-72)

FROM:

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

SUBJECT:

NORJAK

OO: SEATTLE

Re WFO letter to Alexandria dated 11/20/72.

Alexandria is requested to expedite investigation requested in referenced communication and report results to Seattle Division.

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NORJAK, 00 : SEATTLE
RE SEATTLE AIRTEL TO ALEXANDRIA, 1-28-73.
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NATIONAL MILITARY COMMAND CENTER, PENTAGON
CONTACTED 1-29-73, BY SA REGARDING RELEASE TO BUREAU OF 66
RADAR DATA AND CALCULATIONS IN POSSESSION OF
MC CHORD AIR FORCE BASE, WASHINGTON. MATTER REFERRED TO JOINT
CHIEFS OF STAFF (JCS) PERSONNEL.
ON 1-30-73, OFFICE CONTACTED BY
, U.S. AIR FORCE, JCS STAFF, AND DETERMINED
AUTHORITY NOT TO RELEASE INSTANT DATA BASED ON AIR FORCE ALL
MAJOR COMMAND MESSAGE DATED JULY 1972.
U.S. ARMY, JCS, ADVISED TELEPHONICALLY CONFERENCE HELD 1-31-73,
BETWEEN HIMSELF,, AIR FORCE STAFF, JUDGE ADVOCATE
GENERALS OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D.C., AND OTHER PERTINENT AIR FORCE
OFFICERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY REGARDING INSTANT MATTER. RESULTS
ARE BUREAU WILL BE FURNISHED THE DESIRED INFORMATION.
· SEATTLE CONTACT FOR FURTHER DETAILS REGARDING
RELEASE OF INSTANT RADAR DATA AND CALCULATIONS. DONE 1/2/73
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Memorandum

TO : SAC, ALEXANDRIA DATE: 11/20/72

FROM: SAC, WFO

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

(00:SE)

REFERENCE: Seattle airtel to Bureau, 11/15/72.

WFO copies of referenced communication are forwarded as lead is within investigative jurisdiction of addressee office.

BALTIMORE (Enc.) ALEXANDRIA (Enc.) ST. LOUIS (Enc.) INDIANAPOLIS (Enc.) SAN ANTONIO (Enc.) DENVER (Enc.) KANSAS CITY (Enc.)

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Date: 11/15/72

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TO:

ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM:

SAÇ, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

SUBJECT:

NORJAK

00: Seattle

Re Seattle airtel to Bureau, 11/1/72, Norfolk airtel to Bureau, 11/9/72.

Enclosed for WFO is one-copy each of re communications.

WFO is to contact the National Military Command Center, Washington, D.C., and request a training mission in visual aerial photography be flown along the 87 miles of the NORJAK aircraft flight path that is under consideration.

The exact coordinates of the area to be covered will be provided by Seattle Division, if the training mission is approved.

This lead is being set out on a UACB basis.

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TO:

ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM:

SAC, NORFOLK (164-41) (RUC)

NORJAK

(00: Seattle)

Re Seattle airtel to Bureau 11/1/72.

following	On 11/7/72, interviews were conducted with the individuals assigned to the
	, Langley Air Force Base, Virginia:
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It was the consensus of opinion among the three individuals above, each of whom has had considerable experience with infrared imagery, that efforts to locate the attache case by this means would probably prove futile. The terrain, as described, would neutralize any effort, particularly if tall trees and mountains are part of its Further explained was the necessity for the presence of heat which would need to be generated by the object (attache case) in contrast to the surrounding terrain for successful infrared high resolution photography. The size of the attache case provides a poor target for any type of aerial photography, including visual photography.

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On October 30, 1972, Orient Airlines. Seattle. Washington. te advised that Northwest Orient Airlines, would call SA concerning his calculations of the fligh Orient Airlines Flight 305, Portland to 24, 1971. McChord Air Force Base, also ca into Which Unsub parachuted and would ha radar data concerning the above-mentione	nt path of Northwest Seattle, November to liculated the area ave in his possession	6 7C
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SEATTLE		
AT McCHORD AIR FORCE BASE, WAS	BHINGTON	
Will contact with him his calculations of the flight the Norjak airplane in order to determin possibility of an error in the computatiarea.	ne if there is a	6 7C
AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON		
Will arrange to obtain from copy of his calculations of the course, jump area for Unsub, aka Cooper.	flight path, and bo	6 7C
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Atlanta let to SE, 10/31/72.

Atlanta is requested to recontact

Lilburn, Georgia, and obtain from him the map mentioned in referenced communication and forward same to Seattle.

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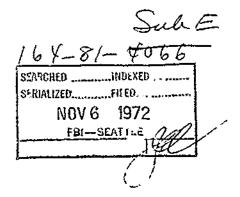
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Re Atlanta letter to Seattle, 8/31/72.

A review of the file of the Atlanta Office discloses that all investigation has been completed and furnished office of origin. Accordingly, this case is being placed in an RUC status.

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Sub E Sub P SAC, DETROIT (164-115) (DUC) HOR JAK (00: SHATTLE) Eufile 164-2111 Re Atlanta letter to Scattle, 8/31/72. Sec. 3865 The following investigation was conducted by SA b6 , at Grayling, Michigan, on 10/16/72, b7C the guerantee card for bow number _____ was never returned and subsequently there is no record of its owner on file. _indicated that since the serial number began with the bow had been shipped by their company in 1959, added that the only record of the serial number that their **b**6 b7C company might have would be on the reverse side of the shipper's copy of shipments going out to any of their 4,500 dealers. _____ stated as a shipment goes out, the shipping clark usually writes social numbers down on the reverse side of the shipper's copy of all bows. _____ stated the shipper's copies are kept on file at the Grayling office and if it was suspected that the boy was purchased in a particular region of the country, the files for the dealers in that region could be reviewed and possibly the particular dealer which received that bow could be identified. ARMID AND TIMELEOUS - Seattle 1 - Detroit

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SAC, NORFOLK (164-41)

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

TO:

FROM:

SUBJECT:

NORJAK (00:SE)

The following background information is being provided to the Norfolk Division: Unsub had with him prior to the time he jumped the following:

- Parachute Back Pack Α.
- Parachute Chest Pack В.
- Briefcase or attache case
- D. Dark overcoat
- A 4x12x14 paper bag
- A pair of dark slip-on shoes.
- G. Wrap around sunglasses with dark rims.
- 10,000 \$20 bills.

Since none of the above was found when the plane was searched at Reno, Unsub must have taken them with him, or discarded some of them prior to jumping.

The above-described attache case supposedly contained a bomb. It is believed Unsub threw this attache case from the plane prior to his jumping, because of the numerous other items he had to carry. If he did throw it prior to jumping, it would fall almost directly in the path of the aircraft. The 727 air stairs were lowered sometime after 7:42 p.m. and Unsub jumped prior to 8:15 p.m. on November 24, 1971. The plane covered a distance of approximately 87 miles during this time.

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Fort Lewis, Washington, advised on August 22, 1972, that
, Langley Air Force Base, Virginia, telephone , would be able to provide expert information
concerning the feasibility of using high resolution infrared
or regular photographic equipment in a low flying aircraft
to locate the attache case or any other of the above-described
items Unsub may have discarded prior to jumping.

The items could possibly be lodged in thickly wooded, mountainous terrain. The search area would cover a strip of land approximately 87 miles long by one-half mile wide. It has been suggested that infrared photography might possibly indicate non-living material, such as an attache case, in a darker shade than living material, thereby enabling the case to be found using infrared high resolution photography.

Since Unsub possibly discarded the attache case prior to jumping, he could not have buried or hidden it. The case would have dropped directly in the flight path of the plane and could possibly be visible from the air. The length of time Unsub would have to throw the case or any other item is limited to 33 minutes, and therefore the area covered is relatively small when compared to the entire flight path.

Since NORJAK is the only aircraft hijacking in which the subject has not been identified and apprehended nor the ransom money recovered, the following lead is being set forth as a method of possibly obtaining new evidence that might identify Unsub or indicate his whereabouts:

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AT LANGLEY AIR FORCE BASE, VIRGINIA. Will expeditiously contact and determine from him the feasibility and cost of conducting the above-described photographic air search.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)	October 31, 1972	
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Re memo of SA THOMAS J. MANNING, date	d 10/24/72.	
Referenced communication advised that washington, had furnished information:		ь6 ь7с
On the night of NORJAK, a jet airline his home at about 5,000 feet from the ground. home is considerably east of the search area, a jet airliner that flew over his home was the him 727, this would indicate an error was made in tof the search area.	and if the Jacked Boeing	ъ6 ъ7С
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AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON		
l. Will through Northwest Orient Airline contact and with recalculate the flight path and a drop point pethe NORJAK matter.	i	ь6 ь7С
2. Will review radar information concern of Northwest Orient Airlines 727 in an attempt the accuracy of the previous flight path calculates.	to determine	
3. Wil review logs currently contained in File 164-81 to determine if UNSUB could have just the time previously calculated.		
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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)	10/24/72
SA THOMAS J. MANNING	Sub E Sub F
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Re memo of SA THOMAS J. MANNING to	SAC, 10/19/72
On 10/20/72 SA Washington and he furninformation:	contacted beautished the following by
He lives directly under the fly was He recalls that the night of the hijackin and slowly over his house in the early even the plane flew over he heard on television progress. He stated the plane was a jet the plane. It was about 4 to 5,000 feet that the weather was overcast, very low of the flight of the plane was about 20 miles.	ening and about 5 minutes after that the hijacking was in airliner but he did not see from the ground and he recalled louds and it was raining.
He pointed out that planes on the 10 to \$2,000 feet and in the four years he location he has never heard one so low as He advised that he knows the plane was onear Mount Tum Tum and that is 3,000 feet mountain. He also pointed out that the eapproximately plane flew directly over it flew is extremely rugged terrain. there have been a number of hunters in the to area.	te has lived at his present on the night of the hijacking. Ever 3,000 feet for he lives and the plane was above that ast end of Lake Merwin is He pointed out that the area and the area over which by the pointed out that recently
stated he feels that then the area which has been searched wou He pointed out that the plane was heard b dark but he could not fix the exact time	efore 10:00 PM and after he heard the plane fly ever.
he felt was theflight of the plane and th	Sub E
The area over which the plane fl owners but the majority of the area is ow Forest and the Weyerhaeuser company.	ned by Gifford Pinchot National 16 4-81-403

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Memorandum

SA THOMAS J. MANNING

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE10/19/72

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

<u>On 10/19/72</u>	· !	i	Washington,	telephone	X
he lives just north	ically contacted	the Longview RA	and advised	That ""	, X.
. He advis	ed that to get to	his residence			
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He pointed out that the night of the hijacking he was watching television and heard an announcement concerning the hijacking. Almost as soon as he heard the announcement a large plane flew low overhead and flew slightly to the east of his house over area. He pointed out the area into which the plane flew was one which is extremely heavily wooded andan area into which one would have difficulty going on foot.

He advised that he has been thinking of calling the FBI on this matter but has kept putting it off and feels that the flight of the plane that night would indicate that the area searched to date has not included ______ area and the route over which the plane flew. He pointed out that he lives directly under the north—south flyway for the airlines and this is the only time that he and have ever heard a plane flying over that low. He requested an agent contacting him personally in order that the flight of the plane could be accurately described.

Contact with will be made 10/20/72-

One copy of this memorandum furnished to SA at Longview RA for handling on 10/20/72.

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(2) TJM/

To D. B. Cooper disappearance

hopes hunters may find clues

The FBI is hopeful that one of several thousand deer hunters beating the brush in Cowlitz and Clark counties this fall may run across evidence of

D.B. Cooper (or whatever his name is) who parachuted out of a jetliner nearly a year ago with about 40 pounds of \$20 bills.

The State Game Department is cooperating with the FBI and will distribute thousands of form letters asking hunters for their help and outlining what to

look for. J. E. Milnes, special agent in charge at Seattle, asks hunters or campers to contact the FBI if any of the following is noticed:

(1) The remains of a man, possibly dead for one year. (2) The remnants of a parachute,

harness or parachute shroud lines. . (3) Ten thousand \$20 bills wrapped in a parachute canopy. The serial numbers are known and can be identified.

(4) Deteriorated raincoat or over-coat. (5) Small briefcase or attache caselly Tom Manning, special FBI agent in

Longview, urged anyone having any information concerning this matter toreport to the nearest FBI office or call the Seattle office collect, MA2-0460... The area where the search is being ecincentrated is bound on the west by

Interstate Highway 5, on the south by the Columbia River, on the north by. the Kalama River, and on the east by the Skamania-Clark county line. ___

(Indicate page, name of nowspaper, city and state.)

P.5 The Daily News Longview, Washington

Date: 10/3/72 Edition: Afternoon

Author: Dick Pollock Editor: John McClelland Title:

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Character:

Classification: 164-81 Submitting Office: Seattle

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department wo wardens for f Lake Merwin D	urther dissemina	, phone, advised that his b7 literature about unsub to game ation to local hunters in the vised that he could probably dis-	
advised of the he would forward to the	ard 1,500 copies	272, SA was be tion at which time he stated that both of the literature regarding the literature dissemination	
LEADS			
SEATTLE			
AT	VANCOUVER, WASH	INGTON	
with literature regarding unsub for further dissemination to game wardens and subsequent dissemination to local hunters in the Lake Merwin Dam area.			
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In Reply, Please Refer to

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Seattle, Washington
October 2, 1972

Sub E Sub FF

Dear Sir:

On November 24, 1971, a man parachuted into the below described area with \$200,000 in \$20 bills. If, while camping or hunting, you should discover any evidence concerning this skyjacking please contact the nearest FBI Office.

AREA INVOLVED:

Bound on the West by US 5, bound on the South by the Columbia River, bound on the North by the Kalama River, and bound on the East by the Skamania - Clark County line.

WHAT TO LOOK FOR:

- (1,) The remains of a man, possibly dead for one year.
- (2.) The remnants of a parachute, harness or parachute shroud lines.
- (3.) 10,000 \$20 bills wrapped in a parachute canopy, all serial numbers are known and can be identified.
 - (4.) Deteriorated raincoat or overcoat.
 - (5.) Small briefcase or attache case.

If any information concerning this matter is discovered, it should be reported to the FBI Office at Seattle, Washington, Area Code 206, telephone MA 2-0460 collect, or to the nearest FBI Office, which can be found by checking the front of your telephone directory.

Very truly yours, L.E. Milnes-

J. E. MILNES,

Special Agent in Charge

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)	September 18, 1972
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NORJAK OO: SEATTLE RE: PARACHUTE FOU KALAMA RIVER	
On September 7, 1972, telephonically that he had disco from the top of a tall pine tree the end of the Kalama River Road in which the parachute was found on which was inscribed the folloment of Commerce, NOAA - Nationa	vered a parachute hanging b7C, approximately 15 miles from Thirty yards from the tree was a piece of white plastic
with white shroud lines. The pa smaller than a normal-sized para something hanging from the end o of a box.	chute and appeared to have
Service, 909 First Street, Seatt department uses parachutes to reattached to weather balloons. It is released with the radio equip balloon rises to a preset height explodes. The radio equipment tand a small parachute opens and safely to the ground. This para a regular-sized parachute and it	of Commerce, National Weather le, Washington, advised his cover radio sonde equipment explained that a balloon ment attached to it. The le, at which time the balloon then falls: a short distance carries the radio equipment chute is slightly smaller than lis pink in color with white led that housing the radio lic box with the following eartment of Commerce, NOAA - Sonde."
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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

8/31/72

SAC, ATIANTA (164-254) (P)

NORJAK OO: SEATTLE BUFILE 164-2111 Sub E Sub R

On 8/17/72, _______, residing at _______, Georgia, furnished the following information.

During the first week of November 1971, he was on an elk hunting trip in the northeastern portion of the state of Oregon. During this hunt he ran across a log shelter cabin and a cache of survival gear located in a remote place in this area. He is unware of the significance of this cache but furnished this information after hearing about captioned case. He advised that a short time after the hijacking he was transferred by his company from Portland, Oregon, to Atlanta, Georgia, and only recently received his furniture and personal effects. Since some of the data contained herein was with his personal effects he was unable to furnish this information prior to this time.

He produced a United States Department of Agriculture Forest Service map of the Joseph Ranger District, Wallowa Whitman National Forest, dated in 1965. He stated that this map is available through the headquarters of the porest service in Portland, Oregon. He stated that the area that he is relating to is located within sections 1, 12, or 13 of Range 49 east in Township 1 north as set out on the above described map.

He states that he was off hunting by himself on this one particular occasion, when he stumbled into an area of heavy brush, he discovered a log shelter constructed entirely of logs five to six inches in diameter. The building being approximately four feet long by five feet wide and four feet high, the opening to the shelter was covered by logs propped in place and staked in position in the ground. At the time he was there there was approximately 12 to 18 inches of snow on the ground and this amount of snow had been in the area for four to six weeks prior

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to thin time. He noticed no from tracks near the choiter or cache at the time.

He was unable to look into the shelter to see what vas contained therein and he didnot recove any of the logs to examine it. He did notice a duffel bag hanging from a tree mone by. This duffel bag had the men act mano could be with Air Force number leprinted on the duffel bag. The bag appeared to be or the last mass could be old and contained numerous tears and wear holes. He examined the contents of the duffel bag and discovered that it contained rific bullets, long-handled ron's underverr, shoe grease, candles, a jacket, vitamin pilis, and some hippie-type smoking pipes, which appeared to handrade. He noticed no food, no socks, or choos in the bag. He noted that several of these items still had grico tago on then reliecting that they were purchased of ther at GI Joe's or Andy and Box both of which are Arry surplus stores located in Portland. Oregon. Es did not recall any dates of purchase.

He also noted that there was a left-handed bow, as used by archers, hanging from a tree nearby. He removed this bow and took it with him, the bow bears the name Baer Archery Company, Grayling, Michigan, registration number

He stated that the area of the cache is located in what is known as Hell's Canyon, near the boundary between eastern Oregon and Idaho. It is located generally in a gully between Windy Ridge and the next ridge located to the southwest. He states that the nearest community is in Innaha, Oregon, located on the Imaha River. To get to the area you take the Hat Point Road out of Imaha and follow it to the end of the pavement, at this point you follow the wide trail that goes out on Windy Ridge and finally comes to a dead end. The read ends at a small draw and the area of the cache is located about 200 or so yards from the end of the read.

He stated that this general area has the appearance of being used during the summer menths by packtrain trips coning from various dude ranches in the area and located nearby is a camping area which night be an overnight stopping point on these packtrain trips. He stated that from this camping area the site of the cache is perhaps 100 to 150 yards away up the side of a hill in heavy brush. The cache could not be seen from the camping area but the area could probably be pointed out by one of the rangers from the nearby ranger station at lat Point.

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stated that with him on this trip was an individual named who goes by the name who resides in Aurora, Oregon, having home telephone number thinks that probably could point out the area where the party camped during this elk	ь6 ъ7С
hunt and might possibly be able to assist in locating the area of the cache. Other members of the hunting party were a young relative of	ь6 ь7с
Due to the fact that the Hell's Canyon area is located a considerable distance from the possible flight path of the aircraft in captioned case, flying from Seattle to Reno, the significance of this information is not known to the Atlanta office, accordingly, no leads are being set out in the Portland area at this time. Leads are being designated for the Detroit office to determine if the bow found by is registered. DETROIT DIVISION	ь6 ь7С
AT GRAYLING, MICHIGAN	
Will contact Baer Archery Company to determine if left handed bow number has been registered by its owner with that company. If information is found will furnish the same to office of origin for appropriate additional investigation.	ь6 ь7с

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 9/1/72 SUB E SUBJ

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FROM : SA THOMAS J. MANNING

subject: NORJAK

On 9/1/72 of the Weyerhaeuser Compay at Camp Kalama, Washington, telephone advised that he, in the course of his timber land employment, he found a 200' tree which has some weathered pink looking material at the top hanging from what appears to be a string. He stated the material is pink or red colored. He stated that the tree is located on one of the forks of Elk Creek straight north of Cougar, Washington.

He advised that he would be available on 9/5/72 to conduct an agent of the FBI to the location of this tree for further investigation of the object in the tree.

This lead will be covered by SA Longview RA on 9/5/72 and he will bring with him binoculars which will enable him to view the item mentioned above.

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	14, 1972, and ends November 1 artist's composit of unsub, s	ng season which begins October 13, 1972, information and the should be provided to Washington te the area into which the hi-	•
	In conjunction with was contacted August 22, 1972 season for the sate of Washir follows:	n this,, Game Warden 2, and he advised the hunting ngton will begin and end as	b6 b7
	Regular deer seasor	n: October 14-28, 1972 November 10-12, 1972	
	Elk season:	October 30 - November 13, 1972	
	further advis	sed that those game wardens which Merwin Dam are as follows:	ь6 b7
	COWLITZ COUNTY		
	1.	Castlerock, Washington, phone	
	2. (FNU), I	Longview, Wash., phone	ь6 ь7
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		eson, Washington, phone Sub E	
	CLARK COUNTY	164-81-3821	
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TO SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

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Enclosed is a copy of the May 1972 Pacific Power & Light bulletin's story concerning the FBI search for parachuting skyjacker. This story is being enclosed for information purposes only; however, the following quote from the story is noteworthy:

"The man who boarded the plane in Portland as 'D. B. COOPER' literally vanished into the air that November night and as this issue went to press nothing new had been unearthed in the recent search.

"This fact, coupled with a popular theory that the skyjacker ended up entangled in a tree in below-freezing weather and never made it any father, may make looking for 'D. B. COOPER' and the \$200,000 ransom a recreational fad on the Lewis River this summer."

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		Date: August 22, 1972
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Via	ATRTEL_	AIRMAIL (Priority)
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	TO ,	ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
	FROM	SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)
	SUBJECT	
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	8/7/72.	Reference Seattle airtel to the Bureau dated
		In order that this case be given more publicity, owing leads are being set forth for Bureau ation and approval:
		1. Mats should be made of the artist's conception of Unsub so that small publications with limited funds can feature articles concerning this matter and include with the story a picture of Unsub without incurring the additional expense of having new mats made (Note: An editor of the Veterans of Foreign Wars publication for the State of Oregon has requested such a mat to print a picture of Unsub in his next issue).
		2. If the artist's conception of Unsub is changed as suggested in referenced airtel, mats of the new picture should also be made.
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8/7/72 Sub-E-Srep Sub X SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P) SA THOMAS J. MANNING NORJAK |to SAC, 8/4/72 Re memo of SA b6 b7C On 8/7/72 the agents attached to Longview RA donducted a check of the area mentioned in referenced memorandum which conducted a also had a map attached. SA b6 complete through search of the area starting at County Road ъ7С 20 and progressing through the area to county road 32. It is felt a thorough walk through search was conducted of the suspect area and it was noted that the area is extremely heavy brush, fallen timber and almost impenetrable and is an area in which there are no residences or farm buildings. On the County Road 32 side of the suspect area the terrain drops very sharply about 50 feet from the road to the creek bed. Further on the county road 20 side of the suspect area the terrain also drops very sharply to the creek. It is felt that if a decision should be made to conduct further searching of the suspect area it would be necessary to have lo agents for a period of two days. The property in question is privately owned with three parcels owned by three individuals. ъ6 On 8/7/72 who has been involved in this ъ7С inquiry from its inception furnished aerial photograph copies of the terrain in question which are attached. maps filed in 164-81- Sul A 10 300 164-81-3 SEARCHED...... (FIDEXED..... SERIALIZED FILEO,.... AUG 1 0 1972 FBI-SEATTLE (2) TJM/

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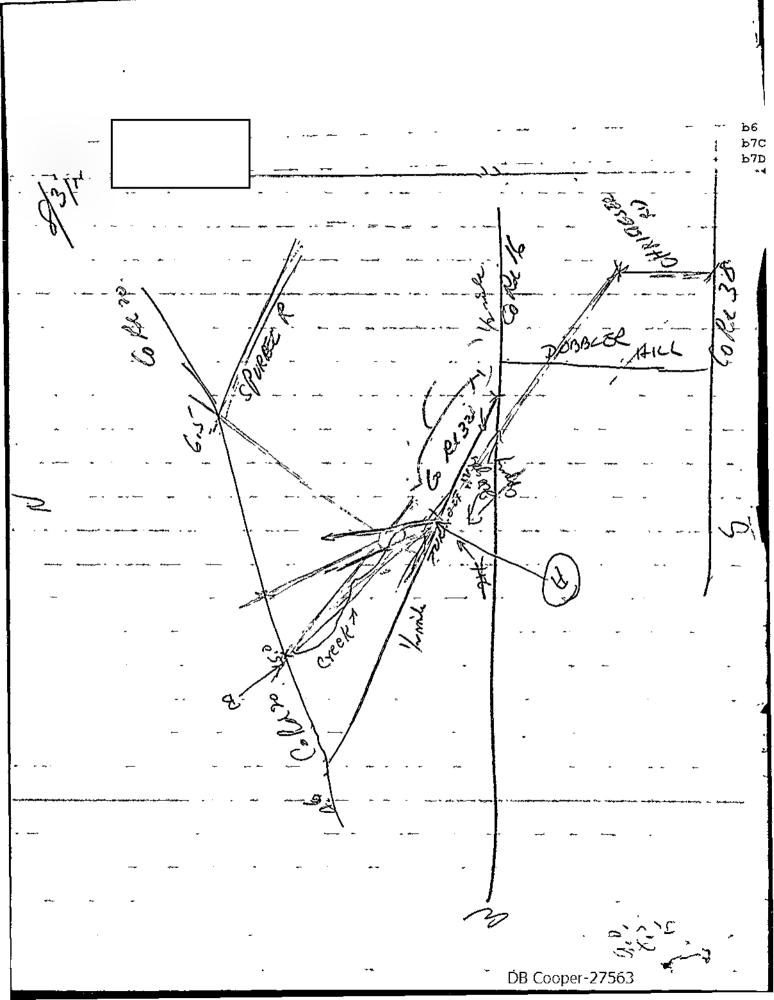


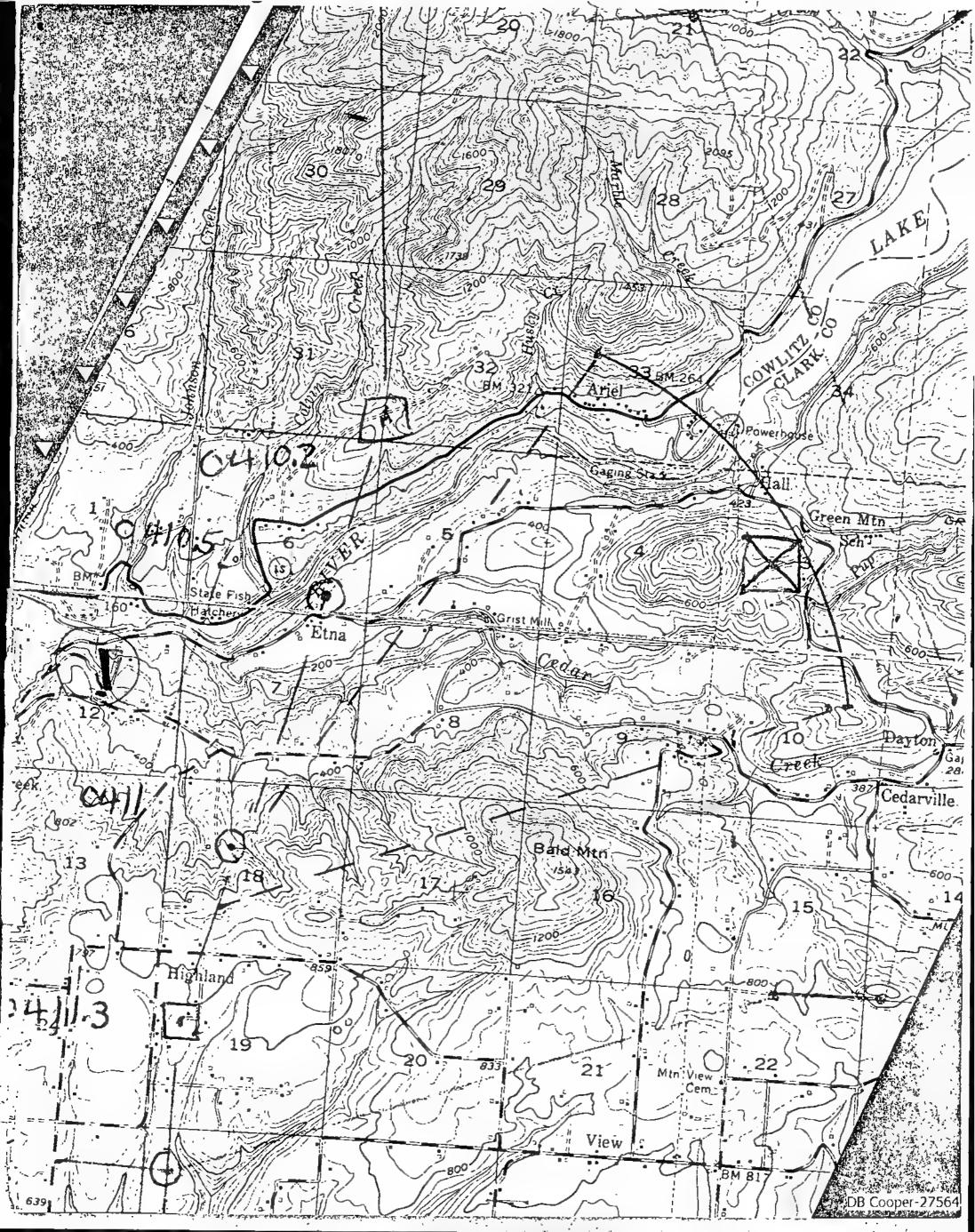


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	of a triangulated search area, in a northerly direction.
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SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

NORJAK

SEARCH NEAR MERWIN DAM

HANDLING OF PROPERTY DAMAGE BY MILITARY (SUB DD)

On Suly 20, 1972,
O. S. Army, Fort Levis, Washington, telephonically contacted this office with respect to claims being processed through his office for claims by certain individuals including for compensation growing out of damage to their property incurred during the search conducted by elements of the 3rd Armored Calvary Division.
paid as the ransom in the Northwest hijacking case was furnished by the Government. He was informed the money was paid by Northwest Airlines was endeavoring to find some basis on which a payment for the claim could be authorized but since it was not Government money he advised the claim probably will not be authorized over his signature but will be passed up to a higher authority with the expectation that the claim will be paid.
explained that he had just returned from a tour in Vietnam and had been assigned to the and after making inquiry concerning the search learned it was authorized by someone at the Pentagon and since he cannot pass on the claim it will be approved at a higher level. CEF:set
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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY HEADQUARTERS, 9TH INFARTRY DIVISION AND FORT LEWIS Communication Systems Division Fort Lewis, Vashington 98433

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General Telephone Company of the No ATTN: 1800 - 41st Street Everett, NA 98201	SUB E
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	Yours very truly,
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6/8/72

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

NORJAK

RE: SEARCH

During the search of the Merwin Dam area in March and April, 1972, several memoranda were prepared concerning incidents which occurred. Copies of these items are being attached to this memorandum and will be filed in the main file with no copy to Sub E.

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6/8/72

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

NORJAK

RE: SEARCH AREA

On 11/30/71,

The Boeing Company, provided the color negatives as well as 5 prints made by The Boeing Company of an Air Force map showing the radar tracing of the course of the air-

map showing the radar tracing of the course of the aircraft. The negative of this film is being placed in the 1-A section of this file.

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SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

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RE: SEARCH

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SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

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RE: EXPERIMENTAL FLIGHT

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After completion of the experiment prepared a handwritten map of his calculations concerning the drop and the probable drift of the parachute if it opened. These notes and the map are being placed in the 1-A section of this file.

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1015 Second Avenue Seattle, Washington 98104

May 1, 1972

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3d Armored Cavalry Regiment Office of the Regimental Commander Fort Lewis, Washington 98433

Dear

I am delighted to receive your letter of April 27, 1972, concerning the performance of our Special Agents in the search for the unknown hijacker of Northwest Airlines Flight 305 in the vicinity of La Center, Washing-

I had written to General Bolling earlier and am attaching a copy of my letter to him for your information. In addition, however, I would like to tell you officially, as I have told you informally before, that we are deeply appreciative of the assistance received from the Army and are most favorably impressed by the performance of and his splendid staff.

It is a source of pride and assurance to see the Army perform in the magnificent manner in which they did on this extremely difficult task. It is a tribute to you and to the officers under your direction, and I hope that you will see fit to insure that appropriate records are made of my observations concerning their performance.

Sincerely yours,

J. E. MILNES Special Agent in Charge

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27 April 1972

Mr. J. Earl Milnes
Federal Bureau of Investigation, SAC
1015 2d Avenue
Seattle, Washington 98104

Dear Mr. Milnes.

Now that the Army's participation in the search for D. B. Cooper has been completed, I would like to express to you my appreciation for the outstanding assistance and cooperation which you and your agents gave to ______ and his squadron. It would have been understandable had the Bureau confined its participation only to those aspects of the search which required the presence of its agents. To the contrary, your agents participated to the fullest extent, and the manner in which they did so was most impressive. Their willingness to share the hardships of field duty and their cheerful cooperation in the search efforts reflects most favorably on their professionalism and on your leadership.

On behalf of all Army members of the search force, I express my sincere appreciation to you and all agents who took part in the operation.

Sincerely,

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	reports that he observed the choppers landed in the field	to "B" Company under as the b6 b70 is men were at the scene and spoke
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At 3:50 P.M. advised that

The Vet apparently feels
the calf will be okay and has left instructions with SA

Under the experienced direction of

IO to 12 army troops
and SA

; all accomplished by approximately 5:45 P.M.

The above matter has been referred by
to Ft. Lewis and a claims officer has been assigned to come
to this area on Friday, April.13, 1972 and contact

No further action by FBI.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 5/17/72

FROM

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

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SUBJECT:

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RE: SEARCH OF DROP AREA

In connection with the search conducted during the period 3/21/72 through 4/18/72, the Agent personnel listed on the attached sheet, participated in that assignment:

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MAY 10, 1972

FBI—SEATTLE





Dear Mr. Milnes:

Many thanks for your kind letter pertaining to the effectiveness of the Fort Lewis troopers who assisted you in your recent effort. I shall transmit your remarks to those individuals who participated and add my personal thanks for their efforts. Sorry our search did not produce the results we were both seeking. So it goes.

Sincerely,

ALEXANDER R. BOLLING J

Major General, USA

Mr. J. E. Milnes Special Agent in Charge Federal Bureau of Investigation 1015 Second Avenue Seattle, Washington 98104

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On November 24, 1971, was on bound for his residence at approximately 9 or 10 p.m. About two or three miles west saw a man walking along the road	bound for his residence at approxi- 10 p.m. About two or three miles west saw a man walking along the road. ted that evidently was frightened vidual because had told
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Woodland, Washington	98674	Entering,	inform	Cars 1	
Dear :		•			

I just wanted to drop you a note and tell you how much we appreciate your making your property available to units of the United States Army which were involved in the search of the terrain around Ariel, Washington.

Sincerely yours,

J. E. MILNES' Special Agent in Charge

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1015 Second Avenue Seattle, Washington 98104

April 21, 1972

Lettery The
Pacific Power and Light Co. Portland, Oregon
Dear : .
As you know, we completed the search of the area around Ariel, and the Army units were removed early this week.
I would be most remiss if I didn't tell you how much we appreciate the use of your facilities during this extensive search. Your providing the park facilities, the houses, the power and the congeniality of your company, specifically that of, made the task infinitely easier.
It not only made it easier, but it enabled us to operate much more efficiently. We are most grateful for your assistance.
Sincerely yours,
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J. E. MILNES Special Agent in Charge
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PECOME WARMER Seattle, Washington 98104

April 21, 1972

Major General Alexander R. Bolli Commanding General Fort Lewis, Washington 98433

Dear General Bolling :

With the completion of the search of the area near Ariel, Washngton, by units of the 3rd Air Cavalry, I wanted to write to you personally and tell you first how much we appreciate the services rendered. However, in doing this I would be most remiss if we did not also tell you that the services of your officers and men were magnificent. The organizational structure, the equipment provided, and most important of all the direction given to the operation under

The assistance rendered by was in keeping with the highest traditions of the U. S. Army.

I could go on at greater length and identify specifically the individual officers, as well as the noncommissioned officers and men, but time and space do not permit.

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I do hope, however, that through your channels you will see fit to insure that this letter of appreciation and commendation is recorded in appropriate files to provide credit to the splendid men who have served so well.

Sincerely yours,

was most impressive.

J. E. MILNES Special Agent in Charge

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

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RE: TELEPHONE SERVICE AT COMMAND POST, MERWIN DAM, (TELEPHONE NO. 225-7151)

On April 17, 1972, the writer contacted of the General Telephone Company, Gresham, On which handles the telephone service at Merwin Dam to discuss the billing of the telephone installed on 3/2 at the Command Post at Merwin Dam. It was explained that, in view of the heavy use of the photo make calls to Fort Lewis, this office was interest in exploring the possibility of having the entire billimade as a Watts installation, retroactive to the date installation, if such a billing would be cheaper that having the calls treated as long distance calls. To such a determination, however, the telephone company would have to determine what the bill is at this time said he would request a special run of the	to to ted lling of make
billing for the above number which would take some the	ree
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It also was explained to that we more consider furnishing his company with a list of calls from the Command Post to various numbers at Fort Lewishave separate billings made up.	ight made is and
On April 18, 1972, SA MANNING advised that Command Post at Merwin Dam would be totally deactive by early noon of April 18, 1972, and he was then call the local operator to have the telephone at the Comme Post discontinued as of close of business April 18, 1972, and he was then call the local operator to have the telephone at the Comme Post discontinued as of close of business April 18, 1972, and he was then call the local operator to have the telephone at the Comme Post discontinued as of close of business April 18, 1972, and he was then call the local operator to have the telephone at the Comme Post discontinued as of close of business April 18, 1972, and he was then call the local operator to have the telephone at the Comme Post discontinued as of close of business April 18, 1972, and he was then call the local operator to have the telephone at the Comme Post discontinued as of close of business April 18, 1972, and he was then call the local operator to have the telephone at the Comme Post discontinued as of close of business April 18, 1972, and he was then call the local operator to have the telephone at the Comme Post discontinued as of close of business April 18, 1972, and he was the local post discontinued as of close of business April 18, 1972, and he was the local post discontinued as of close of business April 18, 1972, and he was the local post discontinued as of close of business April 18, 1972, and he was the local post discontinued as of close of business April 18, 1972, and he was the local post discontinued as of close of business April 18, 1972, and he was the local post discontinued as of close of business April 18, 1972, and he was the local post discontinued as of close of business April 18, 1972, and he was the local post discontinued as of close of business April 18, 1972, and he was the local post discontinued as of close of business April 18, 1972, and he was the local post discontinued as of close of business April 18, 1972, and he was the local post discontinued as of close of business	ted ling and 1972.
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		ATTN: ADM. DIVISION DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)/& SACS, LOS ANGELES (164-497) SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) & PORTLAND (164-41) SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
ĺ	NORJAK.	į
		THE TEN AGENTS ON SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT FROM
	SF, LA AN	D PD, ASSISTING IN SEARCH IN THIS CASE, WILL HAVE
	COMPLETED	THEIR ASSIGNMENT AND WILL BE DEPARTING THIS
	DIVISION	ON APRIL EIGHTEEN NEXT.
	PRB:klb	
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	FROM:	SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (-P-)	
	NORJAK.		
		SEARCH OF ENTIRE AREA IN THE VICINITY OF MERNIN	
	DAM WAS C	OMPLETED AS OF ONE PM, APRIL SEVENTEEN, SEVENTYTWO,	
	WITH NOTH	ING FOUND.	
		ARMY UNITS WILL BE DEPARTING FROM THE AREA FOR	
	RETURN TO	FT. LEWIS, BY ELEVEN AM, APRIL EIGHTEEN NEXT.	
	THE CP AT	THE SITE WILL BE VACATED BY LATE AFTERNOON ON	
	APRIL EIG	HTEEN NEXT, BOTH BY FBI AND ARMY PERSONNEL WITH	
	PHONE TO	BE DISCONNECTED BY APRIL NINETEEN.	
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Special Agent in Charge		11 6 CAUE	DAMENT DESIGNATION OFFICE 14	271 -413-1

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7:19 PM NITEL 4/16/72 DCA

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

NORJAK

SEARCH COMMENCED APPROXIMATELY NINE AM, APRIL SIXTEEN,
SEVENTYTWO. SEARCH PERSONNEL INCLUDED TWO HUNDRED FIFTYNINE
MILITARY PERSONNEL AND AGENTS. SEARCH TERMINATED APPROXIMATELY
FOUR FIFTEEN PM. ARMY ANTICIPATES COMPLETION OF SEARCH ON
APRIL SEVENTEEN NEXT, WEATHER PERMITTING.

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FBI PD CLR

Jule. E 164-81-2955 NRØØ1 SE PLAIN

8:51 PM NITEL 4/15/72 DCA

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

·PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

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NORJAK

SEARCH INITIATED SEVEN THIRTY AM WITH TWO HUNDRED SIXTYSEVEN ARMY PERSONNEL AND AGENTS. SEARCH TERMINATED FIVE PM, AND APPROXI-MATELY NINETYFIVE PERCENT OF SEARCH NOW COMPLETED. ARMY ANTICIPATED SEARCH OF REMAINING AREA WILL TAKE ONE TO ONE AND ONE HALF DAYS IF WEATHER CONDITIONS FAVORABLE.

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DB Cooper 2/589

Sub. E 164-81-3954

4/14/72

TELETYPE

NITEL

TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111) SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM:

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

NORJAK.

DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER SEARCH BY TWO HUNDRED AND SIXTYNINE ARMY PERSONNEL COMMENCED ELEVEN FORTY A.M. AND STOPPED AT THREE P.M. TODAY. NO DEVELOPMENTS.

, U. S. ARMY, ADVISES THAT NINETY
PERCENT OF AREA TO BE SEARCHED HAS BEEN COMPLETED. AT PRESENT
TIME THERE ARE SIX TO EIGHTEEN INCHES OF SNOW IN HIGHER ELEVATIONS
SURROUNDING SEARCH AREA. IN VIEW OF EXTREMELY LOW LEVEL CLOUDS,
IMPOSSIBLE TO DISPATCH TROOPS IN LANDING ZONES TO COMMENCE SEARCH
OF HIGHER ELEVATIONS. CONTINGENT ON CLEARING WEATHER, SEARCH
WILL CONTINUE SEVEN THIRTY A.M., APRIL FIFTEEN NEXT.

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Date:

4/13/72

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Via TELETYPE	NITEL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111),

SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73), and

SAC. PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

NORJAK.

SEARCH COMMENCED THIS DATE AFTER A HOLD BECAUSE OF BAD
WEATHER WHICH DELAYED SOME UNITS UNTIL NINE THIRTY A. M.
SEARCH PERSONNEL CONSISTING OF TWO HUNDRED SIXTYTHREE TROOPS
PLUS AGENT PERSONNEL SEARCHING IN THE SOUTHERN SECTION WHICH
IS PRIMARILY A RE-SEARCH IN THE VICINITY OF POINT A. SNOW
IN NORTH SECTION OF THE SEARCH AREA IS FROM SIX TO EIGHT
INCHES DEEP AND LANDING ZONES BEING FURTHER PREPARED FOR USE.
IF WEATHER PERMITS ON APRIL FOURTEEN NEXT, SEARCH IN THE
HIGHER ELEVATIONS OF THE NORTH SECTION WILL BE STARTED. SEARCH
DISCONTINUED THIS DATE APPROXIMATELY FOUR P. M.

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Sub. E 164-81-2990

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) DATE:4/13/72 b6 FROM Sul ъ7С SUBJECT: NORJAK (Complaint Concerning Search) At 9:30PM, this date, b6 ъ7С , Washington, telephone , telephonically contacted this office regarding helicopters flying over stated that he owns and that helicopters have been continously flying over his property at what seems toxlower and lower altitudes. b6 stated that today one of his handlers was bringing ъ7С when a helicopter flew over at tree-top level causing **b**6 further advised that last week ъ7С , and he was m told by that the in the field. |feels that they by | from the low-flying helicopters. He was about Army Concrete D was not at all belligerent, but explained that Эď, he can't afford to have these problems continuing. ъ7С to be contacted by SA MANNING as soon as possible. b6 TIM/tim ъ7С (2) APR 1 3 1972

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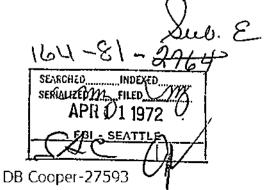
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Memorandum

то :	SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)	DATE: 4/8/72		
FROM :	SA THOMAS J. MANNING	508-	E DD	
SUBJECT:	NORJAK			
reque	On 4/7/72 Army personnel involved in search in vici sted information on complaints made re pro Army troops during search.		Merwin	ъ6 ъ7
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compl	has been apprised of the det	ails of the	four	ь6 ь7

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TO

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM

SA THOMAS J. MANNING

SUBJECT: NORJAK

	. Washington telephone be
, employed at	Washington by
telephone is	on which US Army
during th	e serach operation conducted in the vicinity
Washington .	executed a woonsent form to
make use of his property	and set certain conditions such as
During the teleph	one conversation on this date advised be
that army trucks ran over	on the property, practically
destroyed a gravel road .	

He requested that his complaint be called to the attention of the United States Army and also pointed out ________in the vicinity of the property have been cleaning up all kinds of debris since the departure of the army and are perturbed by the failure to police the arwa upon departure.

He was advised that his complaint would be called to the attention of the United States Army.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

то :	SAC, SEATTLE (164-	81) DATE: 3/26/72
FROM :	sc	Sul- E
subject:	NORJACK	67-6043-12
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contacted this office. stated that last week when she was contacted by an Agent of the FBI, asking permission to search her property, the agent stated that if anything was damaged or she had any problems to contact the FBI in Longview or Seattle. stated that her driveway is being used and that the four wheele drive rigs that go in and out have torn up her driveway and MMMM made it into a mud hole. would like to have an agent come by and look at it so it will be fixed.

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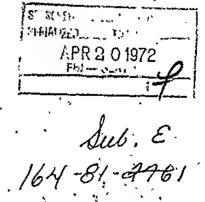
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4/8/72 Sul E
Damage complaints to date
1. Washington - complaint re road to his
unoccupied property having deep ruts due to military vehicle use.
The letter describing his property was furnished to you by SAC Milnes.
2. On 4/4/72 Washington
telephone employed at
Washington telephone is the
average a constant formation was at his expenses as
executed a consent form to make use of his property as
and set certain conditions such as
On 4/4/72 he stated
. He further
alleged debris was left at
have also complained that debris was strewn about their property.
3.1
Washington on 3/26/72 advised FBI Seattle that her driveway was
used by Army trucks and has been torn up. is in
vicinity of
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4. whose property
is next to that of . mentioned above, sent a letter to
the FBI Seattle alleging that debris wasleft at her location
and about her property after troops moved out. She

also alleged

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SA THOMAS J. MANNING Special Agent. FBI



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Troops Search
For Skyjacker
WOODLAND, Cowlitz
County—(AP)—Army
troops were back on the
job yesterday helping the
FBI search the area
around Lake Merwin for a
skyjacker who commandeered a jetliner last.
Thanksgiving Eve.
An Army spokesman said
about 200 troops of the 3rd
Armored Cavalry Renment were helping search
for a hijacker who gave its
name as D. B. Cooper.

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WOODLAND, County — (AP) County — (AP) — Army froops were back on the job today, helping the Federal Bureau of Investigation search the area around Lake-Merwin for a skyjacker who commandeered a jetliner Jast Thanksgiving Eve. An Army spokesman said about 200 troops of the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment were helping search for a hijacker who gave his The skyjacker took over an airliner on a flight from Portland to Seattle. He is belleved to have parachuted over Southwest Washington. The troops on hand today made up "Essentially the same task force that was, down the re" when the

search was resumed recent-.ly, an Army spokesman at Fort Lewis, where the troops

rare stationed, said,

p.A2 Seattle Times Seattle, Wash. 4/7/72 Date: Edition: Final Author: Henry McLeod Editora Title: NORJAK Characters Classification: 164-81 Sub Submitting Officer Scattle Being Investigated COPY SENT TO BUREAU

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NITEL

TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111) & SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM:

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (-P-)

NORJAK.

SEARCH THIS DATE WITH TWO SEVEN ONE ARMY PERSONNEL, PLUS AGENTS, COMMENCED AT SEVEN THIRTY AM IN ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS. SNOW, SLEET AND FREEZING RAIN HAMPERED SEARCH. REMAINING AREAS TO BE SEARCHED CAN BE REACHED ONLY BY HELICOPTER INSERTION OF SEARCH PERSONNEL AND LANDING ZONES IN MOST CASES UNDER SIX TO TWELVE INCHES OF SNOW. SEARCH THIS DATE DISCONTINUED AT FOUR FIFTEEN PM.

ACTIVITY ON APRIL THIRTEEN NEXT DEPENDS ON WEATHER CONDITIONS WITH NO TIME OF START SET.

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DB Cooper 2/599

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TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 1P

NORJAK.

THIS DATE TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-THREE ARMY PERSONNEL WITH AGENTS SEARCHED FROM SEVEN A.M. TO FIVE P.M. WITH NEGATIVE FINDINGS.

SEARCH COMMENCES SEVEN THIRTY A.M. APRIL TWELVE, NEXT.

END

DB Cooper 2/600

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SAC. SEATTLE

NORJAK

On 4/11/72 I called _______ at the Morthwest Airlines in Minneapolis and told him that ______, who was commanding the Army troops searching the area, requested that ______ call him and discuss with him the basis for his conclusion that there is a greater likelihood of the hijacker falling south of the AB line, rather than north of that line.

I furnished to him the phone number of the Woodland site and requested him to call.

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FILE (164-81)

4/5/72

SAC, SMATTLE

NORJAK

On 4/4/72 I called SA HENRY SHUTZ at the Bureau. I advised him I had talked to _____, who told me that the problem was when they got the authority originally it was for only 7 days, but I told him we imposed no such limitation and the letter we wrote to the Army made no mention of a time limit.

I advised Mr. SHUTZ that said in view of the 7-day limit, the 6th Army at San Francisco had to go to CONARC, which is the Continental Army at Fort Monroe, Va. to get this limitation removed.

I suggested to Mr. SHUTZ that he have his people contact the Chief of Staff's office in the Pentagon and advise them that they should contact the CONARC people and tell them to get on the job.

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SAC, SEATTLE

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On 4/5/72 called from Fort Lewis. He advised that all the channels had been cleared for them to return to this operation, awaiting a request from our head-quarters in Washington to trigger the response.

He asked that we formally request someone in operations in the Army Headquarters in Washington to assist us in completing the job, with an estimated completion date of 4/21/72.

I immediately called SA HENRY SCHUTZ at the Bureau, advised him of this, and he advised that they were taking these steps already.

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TO

: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111) & SACS, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) AND PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM

: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (-P-)

SUBJECT:

NORJAK

TODAY 267 ARMY PERSONNEL SEARCHED FROM SEVEN

THIRTY AM UNTIL FOUR TWENTY PM, WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

SEARCH COMMENCES SEVEN AM, APRIL ELEVEN NEXT.

TJM:klb (3)

DB Cooper 2/604

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5:43 PM NITEL 4/9/72 DCA

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

PORTLAND (164-41)

MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 1P

NORJAK

SEARCH RESUMED NINE THIRTY A.M., APRIL NINE, SEVENTYTHO, AND DISCONTINUED AT THREE THIRTY P.M. WITH TWO HUNDRED SIXTYNINE ARMY PERSONNEL. NO POSITIVE FINDINGS.

SEARCH RESUMES AT NINE A.M., APRIL TEN NEXT.

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DB Cooper 2/605

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8:35 PM NITEL 4/8/72 DCA

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

PORTLAND (164-41)

MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

FROM SEATTLE (164-31)

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NORJAK

SEARCH RESUMED SEVEN FIFTEEN A.M. INSTANT DATE AND DISCONTINUED

AT FOUR FIFTEEN P.M. WITH TWO HUNDRED SIXTYNINE ARMY PERSONNEL.

NO POSITIVE FINDINGS. SEARCH RESUMES AT NINE A.M., HERER

NINE, NEXT. .

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2000 164-81-2633 NRDD5 SE PLAIN
6:06 PM NITEL 4/7/72 VAB
TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)
MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)
PORTLAND (164-41)
FROM SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

NORJAK

ARMY TROOPS ARRIVED IN BIVOUAC AREA, LAKE MERWIN, THIS DATE AT APPROXIMATELY TWO P.M. DUE TO CONTAMINATION OF JET FUEL SEARCH NOT COMMENCED. CAMP BEING ESTABLISHED AND SEARCH WILL COMMENCE SEVEN A.M. EIGHTH INSTANT.

END

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164-81-2632

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

4/7/72

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

NORJAK

RE: SEARCH & PUBLICITY

At 12:15 PM, on 4/6/72, Ft. Lewis, Washington, telephone , advised that it was his intention if FBI approval is given, to make a "low keyed response" to the press to the effect that "we are resuming the search in the south."	ъ6 ъ7С
advised that, since the movement of troops and helicopters from Ft. Lewis to the Vancouver area, would generate press inquiries" he planned to contact the press on his own iniative, possibly on 4/7/72, to advise them of the above.	ь6 ъ7с
advised that the Department of the Army had given its approval and felt that the previous search had been an excellent training vehicle.	b6 b7С
was advised that any clearance would have to come from SAC MILNES who was unavailable at the time and he requested that when Mr. MILNES was available that be contacted at the above telephone numbers.	ь6 ь7с
After discussing this with Mr. MILNES I called back and said that this was satisfactory. CEF:klb (3)	b6 b7С

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

4/6/72

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

NORJAK

At 9:30 AM, called from Ft. Lewis. He advised that they had received approval to go ahead with the search and to "clean it up" by the 21st. He advised that details should be worked out directly with	ь6 ь7с
I called He said that they were using the same troops they had previously used and they would move the advance group this afternoon with the rest of the troops following tomorrow morning. He expected that they would be in a position to start searching at 1:00 PM tomorrow afternoon.	2,0
I specifically asked him if they had authority to go north and south of the river and he said they were going "to try to clean it up" but they had to have the troops out of there by 4/21/72.	
I called ASAC of Los Angeles, ASAC at San Francisco and SAC JULIUS LEE MATTSON at Portland, and told them to have their Agents at the Inn of the Quay in time for your briefing at 8:00 PM tonight.	ь6 ь7с
I called SA THOMAS J. MANNING and advised him.	
I also advised SA and alerted SA FARRELL of this office to get Agents ready to go and to take two cars.	ь6 ь7с
I called Supervisor HENRY SHUTZ at the Bureau and told him the situation. He said he would advise of the Administrative Division and for us to send a nitel this evening simply saying what I had told him orally.	ь6 ь7С
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AIR MAIL

TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI

ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION (MOVEMENT UNIT)

FROM:

SAC. LOS ANGELES (66-5063)

RE:

NORJAK

Re Los Angeles airtel to Bureau 3/31/72 and Beattle telcall to Los Angeles 4/3/72 instructing that four Los Angeles Agents not proceed to Seattle Division until further instructions.

SAs

further instructions from the Bureau and/or Seattle.

- Bureau (AM) - Seattle 2 - Los Angeles (66-5063) (1 - 64 - 497)

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REPORT of the



FE ELENS AND FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Washington, D. C. 20535

To: Mr. Eugene A. Cotton Sheriff of Clark County Vancouver. Weshington 98660

April 4, 1972

This examination has been made with the understanding that the evidence is connected with an official investigation of a criminal matter and that the Laboratory report will be used for official purposes only, related to the investigation or a subsequent criminal prosecution. Authorization cannot be granted for the use of the Laboratory report in connection with a civil proceeding.

ROW UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE DECEASED Pourid Near Woodland, Washington March 29, 1972

r Hoover, Director

YOUR NO.

FBI FILE NO.

LAB. NO. PC+H5876 KS JM MU

Examination requested by: Addresses

Reference:

Letter 3/30/72

Examination requested: , Microscopic Analyses - Chamical Fingerprint

Specimens:

Q1-Q2

Two hands

Result of examination:

No soil of value for significant comparisons was found in the fingernail scrapings from Q1 or Q2.

No hairs or fibers were found in the fingernail acrapings from Q1 and Q2 or on specimens Q1 and Q2. INDEXED

Searched. The fingernails on specimens Q1 affill examined for any materials of value for serdlegical tion but none were located.

You are being advised by separate report of the results of the fingerprint emmination and the disposition.

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of specimens Q1 and Q2. The debris from specimens Q1 and Q2 is being returned under separate cover by registered mail.

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Washington, D. C. 20537

REPORT

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO.

FBI FILE NO.

LATENT CASE NO.

A-51514

Vancouver, Washington 98660

Mr. Eugene A. Cotton Sheriff of Clark County AIRMAIL

April 4, 1972

RE:

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE DECEASED FOUND NEAR WOODLAND, WASHINGTON MARCH 29, 1972

Letter March 30, 1972, and teletype March 29, 1972,

from FBI, Seattle Division REFERENCE:

EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Addressee and FBI, Seattle Division

SPECIMENS: Two hands, Q1 and Q2

> Classifiable fingerprints were obtained from the specimens and were searched in our main fingerprint files, but no identification was effected.

These fingerprints are being retained in our files and will be available for comparison with any fingerprints you may submit for this purpose.

This report supplements and confirms the

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LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION April 4, 1972 Mr. Eugene A. Cotton

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April 4, 1972

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information previously furnished to you by our Seattle Division.

TO:

Mr. Eugene A. Cotton Sheriff of the results, of the laboratory are the subjects of a separate report.

The specimens are being returned under separate cover.

REFERENCE:

SPECIMENS:

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE DECEASED yound hear woodland, washington MARCH 29. 1972

Letter March 30, 1972, and teletype March 29, 1972, from FBI, Seattle Division EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Addressee and FBI, Seattle Division Two hands, Ql and Q2

Classifiable fingerprints were obtained from the specimens and were searched in our main fingerpritate files, but no identification was effected.

These fingerprints are being retained in our files and will be available for comparison with any fingerprints you may submit for this purpose.

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	TELETYPE NITEL	
	(Priority)	
	TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111) & SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-7	3)
	FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (-P-)	
	NORJAK.	
	U.S. ARMY, FT. LEWIS, WN.,	
	ADVISED TODAY AUTHORITY HAD BEEN RECEIVED FOR THE ARMY TO	
	RESUME SEARCHING. HE SAID HIS INSTRUCTIONS WERE TO QUOTE	
	CLEAN IT UP ENQUOTE BUT TO HAVE ALL THE TROOPS OUT OF THE	
	AREA BY APRIL TWENTYONE NEXT. HE IS MOVING ADVANCE GUARD	
	OF TROOPS INTO AREA TODAY, AND WILL MOVE THE REST OF THEM	
	TOMORROW A.M. ARMY WILL USE SAME TROOPS AS UTILIZED PRE-	
	VIOUSLY.	
	SAN FRANCISCO, LOS ANGELES AND PORTLAND WERE	
	TELEPHONICALLY INSTRUCTED TO HAVE THEIR AGENTS MEET WITH	
	ME AND PERSONNEL FROM THIS OFFICE AT VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON,	
	AT EIGHT PM, THIS DATE, FOR BRIEFING.	
	IT IS CONTEMPLATED THAT ALL PRELIMINARY ARRANGEMENT	s
	WILL HAVE BEEN COMPLETED AND SEARCH WILL BE UNDER WAY NOT	
	LATER THAN ONE PM, APRIL SEVEN NEXT.	
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Special Agent in Charge

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April 5, 1972

SAC J. E. MILNES

NORJAK

On April 4, 1972, SA HENRY SCHUTZ at the Bureau requested that a facsimile copy of San Francisco letter, 3/10/72, to Lieutenant General A. D. Surles, Jr., Commanding General, Sixth U. S. Army, San Francisco, be furnished to the Bureau. This was done.

I also told Mr. SCHUTZ that I understood from
, Fort Lewis, that the Sixth Army had told the
people at Fort Lewis to hold in abeyance and return the aerial
until it had been cleared with the Continental Army at
Fort Monroe, Virginia. He wanted to know what day the
additional request was made and it was made of
on March 27, 1972 by me personally.

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4/4/72

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

NORJAK

Re: SEARCH

At 12:10 PM, I called in

San Francisco and in Los Angeles
and SAC MATTSON in Portland and told them not to dispatch

Agents to Vancouver on the special until further notice.

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At 12:30 PM, I had a call from HANK SHUTZ at the Bureau. He said that they had been unable to determine where the hold-up was in this matter; that their liaison man in talking to people at the Pentagon, was told that there was no request pending there. He wants to talk to you to see what the best way would be to find out just where the hold-up was and to get some action. He would like you to call him as soon as possible.

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4/3/72

SAC, SEATTLE

NORJAK

On 4/3/72 I told SACS MATTSON AND GEBHART, and ASAC ______ in Los Angeles, to have the agents at the Inn of the Quay in Vancouver at 6:00 P.M. on 4/4/72.

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4/3/72

SAC, SEATTLE

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On 4/3/72 SAC GEBHART called from San Francisco and advised that _______, from the 6th Army, had called and wanted to know what was taking place.

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I told him that the Army at Fort Lewis planned to move to commence the search on 4/4/72, at 1:00 PM, and they were now in the process of firming this up through 6th Army Headquarters.

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SAC, SEATTLE

NORJAK

on 4/3/72 from Fort Lewis called and advised that he had just received a call from 6th Army Headquarters in San Francisco. They were told to hold their movement of troops back to Herwin in abeyance until clearance had been obtained from the Continental Army in Fort Monroe, Virginia. They anticipate this some time early tomorrow. He asked that we make our contacts in Washington to insure the permission be granted.

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3/31/72

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

NORJAK

Pursuant to your instructions, I called SA HENRY SCHUTZ at the Bureau at 7:30 A.M. on 3/31/72 and told him the agents required for the search should arrive in Vancouver, Washington, at 6:00 P.M., Monday, April 3, 1972, not Sunday, as previously indicated, since the Army troops would not arrive until Tuesday morning.

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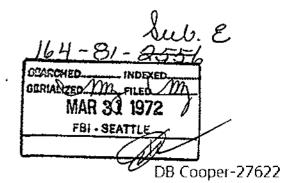
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FOLLOWING SAN FRANCISCO AGENTS HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED TO PARTICIPATE IN SEARCHING PROJECT IN SEATTEL AREA AND WILL ARRIVE AT VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON, PROIR TO SIX P.M., APRIL THREE NEXT:

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ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

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ASAC of Los Angeles, and ASAC of San Francisco both called on this case. Each has been instructed by the Bureau to furnish 4 men.

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I told them to have the men young and enthusiastic, volunteer-type, have them provide themselves with warm clothing, stout, warm, dry shoes, and gloves, and to be at the Quay Inn in Vancouver not later than Monday, evening, 4/3/72. I said if there was any change, we would let them know.

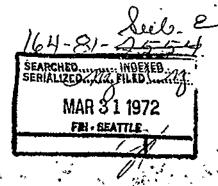
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April 3, 1972

SAC J. E. MILNES

NORJAK

For record purposes, on March 30, 1972, I called Pacific Power and Light Company, Portland, Oregon. I told him that we' anticipated the search in the Lake Merwin area would take approximately three weeks longer and advised him if possible we would appreciate being able to continue using the camp at Lake Merwin. He advised he saw no objection to it and unless I heard from him in the contrary, it would be satisfactory to continue its use.

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3/30/72

SA THOMAS J. MANNING

NÖRJAK

HENRY SCHUTZ called from the Bureau at 9:50 A.M. today and advised that in reply to our UACB teletype, agents from neighboring offices can be released at noon today to return. These agents will not be recalled when the search is renewed. The agent personnel who will be reassigned to this search will be from San Francisco and Los Angeles, instead of Butte, Portland, etc.

as going to start again. In other words, the date has not been	
set. There is a staff meeting at Fort Lewis this morning and	
it is possible they will have an answer before the Army leaves	
at noon. However, had no answer at 10:00 this	b6
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will probably mean they will search the southern half only	
but if they return on Tuesday, it will mean they will search	
the entire area, with a possible commitment on the troops until	
4/21/72. This is conjecture on his part.	
, of the Pacific Power and Light; Portland	,b6
should be called concerning extended stay at Lake Merwin Park.	ъ7С
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Communications Officer at Fort Lewis. If this clearance is	ъ7С
obtained, we will have to go through the Portland Office to	
contact the General Telephone Co. in Gresham, Oregon, about	

I told him we had no information on when the search

The girl wno was found yesterday died of a single stab wound in the heart. She is in her mid-20's and by the coroner's estimate was in the cistern between one month and six weeks. The hands have been packed in formaldehyde and Portland is handling pilot courier delivery to the Bureau.

me this weekend if he doesn't know when we leave as to the date

the installation of the WATS line. The

the search will start again.

I told SCHUTZ we would advise the Bureau as soon as we got a new starting date for the search. 164-27-26

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BURLINGTON NORTHERN

RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

650 Central Building Seattle, Washington 98104 Telephone (206) 623-5560

Federal Bureau of Investigation 1015 Second Avenue Seattle, Washington 98104

March 29, 1972

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Attn: Mr. J. E. Milnes

Gentlemen:

This letter will be your authority to enter upon Burlington Northern land in Sections 20, 21 and 29, Township 6 North, Range 2 East, Cowlitz County, Washington, for the period from March 29, 1972, to May 1, 1972, for the purpose of establishing temporary helispots and control centers for conducting search operations in the area.

You will cut only such timber as is necessary to clear a suitable working area.

The Government shall, at its sole expense, repair and/or restore any roads or other facilities on said described lands which are in any manner damaged or disturbed by its exercise of the rights granted by this letter.

Burlington Northern shall not be liable for damages to property or injuries to persons arising from the operations of the Government hereunder, and the Government shall indemnify and save harmless Burlington Northern from all loss, costs and expense resulting from any such damage to property or injuries to persons, including damages to property of Burlington Northern, insofar as the Government may legally do so, and subject to the availability of appropriated funds, but excluding damage to property and injuries to persons caused by negligence in the operations of Burlington Northern, its successors and assigns, or its contractors, lessees, licensees or permittees.

Very truly yours,

BURLINGTON	NORTHERN	INC.	
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FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

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APRIL THIRD OR FOURTH TO CONTINUE SEARCH. BUREAU AGENTS ASSIGNED SAME TASKS HAVE SERVED ADMIRABLY BUT ARE LIKEVISE PHYSICALLY TIRED. UACB, TEN AGENTS ON SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT FROM OTHER DIVISIONS WILL RETURN TO OFFICES OF ASSIGNMENT PM OF THIRTIETH INSTANT AND SEATTLE AGENTS WILL RETURN TO HEADQUARTER CITY EXCEPT FOR STANDBY CREW AT MERWIN PARK. SEARCH WILL BE RESUMED APRIL THIRD AND AGENTS FROM NEARBY OFFICES WILL RETURN TO ASSIST.

END

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

3/29/72

SA J. ROBERT SUTTHOFF

NORJAK

At approximately 2:30 PM our time I talked to SA HENRY SCHUTZ from the Bureau.

SCHUTZ requested that I be sure to get word to you that he expects to hear from you tonight to talk over the search situation.

He also advised it will be necessary to get a "good" teletype off to the Bureau tonight relative to the discontinuance of the search for the time being. This teletype should generally point out that the Army has withdrawn its troops, that the search has been arduous and physically exhausting and that the troops are being withdrawn primarily to give them some rest; also in view of the approaching holiday weekend. It should point out that agents have been with the troops throughout the search and that the agents involved also have undergone an arduous and tiring experience and can use rest too. It should point out that UACB agents from the nearby offices at least will be released to return to their offices, and that either the same agents or replacements for them will rejoin the search with the Army troops at whatever time this resumption of the search is established.

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11:42 PM NITEL 3/29/72 DCA

TO DIRECTOR, FBÌ

PORTLAND

MINNEAPOLIS

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

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NORJAK

PM THIS DATE, CLARK COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE, VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON, ADVISED THAT
, WASHINGTON, AND
, WASHINGTON, HAD REPORTED THE FINDING OF WHAT AP-
PEARED TO BE A BODY AT THE BOTTOM OF A SILO IN AN ABANDONED GRIST
MILL ON CEDAR CREEK NEAR HIGHLAND, WASHINGTON, WHICH IS IN SEARCH
AREA. IMMEDIATE INVESTIGATION BY BUREAU AGENTS, CLARK COUNTY
DEPUTIES, AND ARMY PERSONNEL DEVELOPED THE BODY WAS AN UNIDENTIFIED
WHITE FEMALE. BODY APPEARED TO BE WELL-PRESERVED, CLOTHED IN
GRAY SWEAT SHIRT, BLUE DENHEM TROUSERS, AND BLACK TENNIS SHOES.
BUREAU AND ARMY PARTICIPATION ON ANY FURTHER INQUIRIES IMMEDIATELY
DISCONTINUED. FACILITIES OF IDENTIFICATION DIVISION AND LAB
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IMMEDIATELY OFFERED TO SHERIFF EUGENE COTTON (FBINA) WHO IS CONTINUING INVESTIGATION. FINGERPRINTS OF DECEASED BEING FORWARDED IMMEDIATELY FOR IDENTIFICATION DIVISION AND BUREAU REQUESTED TO TELEPHONICALLY ADVISE SEATTLE OF RESULTS OF IDENTIFICATION CHECK. E N D WDC HOLD (ROR)

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7:12 PM URGENT 3/29/72 DCA
TO DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

NORJAK

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RESETEL CALL TO BU INSTANT DATE.

AT THREE FIFTYFOUR PM, MARCH TWENTYNINE INSTANT,

CLARK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON, CONTAC-

WASHINGTON AND

AFTER PHONE CALL TO THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE REPORTING THE FINDING

OF A BODY AT THE GRIST MILL LOCATED AT GRIST MILL ROAD AND SPURREL

ROAD, HIGHLAND, WASH., (MILITARY COORDINATES ES THREE TWO FOUR -

EIGHT SEVEN THREE) WHILE THEY WERE COLLECTING BOTTLES. INVESTIGATION

BOTTOM OF A SILO WHICH WAS USED TO STORE WATER AT THE GRIST MILL.

DISCLOSED A HAND AND PART OF A TORSO OF A BODY UNDER DEBRIS AT THE

THE BODY WAS NOT IN THE SILO ACCIDENTALLY, BUT APPEARED TO HAVE

BEEN PUT THERE.

CLARK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, U.S. ARMY AND BUREAU PRESENTLY
AT THE SCENE CONDUCTING ACTIVE INVESTIGATION TO EXHUME BODY AND
IDENTIFY.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

NORJAK

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Seattle is sending by separate cover seven 100-foot rolls of Ektachrome 16 mm motion-picture film.

The movies were taken with a Bolex model H16 camera during the March 20-28, 1972 search operation at Woodland, Washington.

The Bureau is requested to process the film reels individually and not to splice the film onto one reel.

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TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

MINNEAPOLIS

PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) IP

NORJAK.

TERRAIN SEARCH BY TWO HUNDRED TWO ARMY TROOPS CONTINUED TODAY
NO DEVELOPMENTS. HAS NOT RECEIVED WORD
RE ARMY'S DECISION REFERRED TO IN SEATTLE TEL TWENTY-SEVENTH INST.
RE EXTENT OF SEARCH TO BE CONDUCTED AFTER THIRTIETH INST. THIS
MATTER BEING FOLLOWED CLOSELY BY ME WITH
BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED.
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200. E 164-81-2545 SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

3/27/72

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

NORJAK

Called from the Bureau. He requested that more detail be put in the daily summary with regard to the search. He would like to know how many troops are still participating; how much area has been searched and just what progress is being made in each teletype.

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and then made the pickup of the troops by the helicopters at a distant point.

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TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111) SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM:

SAC, SEATTLE (164=81)

NORJAK

WEEKLY SUMMARY

THE TERRAIN SEARCH COMMENCED SEVEN TWENTY A.M. WITH APPROXIMATELY TWO HUNDRED EIGHTEEN GROUND TROOPS. NO DEVELOPMENTS.

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SEARCH	AREA	WIL	L BE C	COMPLE	ETED.							

TO COMPLETE ENTIRE SEARCH AREA, INCLUDING THAT NORTH OF LEWIS RIVER, WHICH IS EXTREMELY MOUNTAINOUS AND RUGGED WILL TAKE AN ESTIMATE OF A MINIMUM OF TWO WEEKS WITH A MAXIMUM OF THREE WEEKS, AFTER RETURN ON APRIL FOUR. AREA INVOLVED COMPRISES APPROIXMATELY TWENTYFIVE PERCENT OF ENTIRE SEARCH AREA.

JEM:eon

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I HAVE ADVISED THAT SEARCH AREA OUTLINED IN MAP
ON PAGE TWN HUNDRED SEVENTYFOUR OF REPORT OF SA CHÂRGES E. FARRELL
SEATTLE, DATED FEBRUARY SIXTEEN LAST, IS AREA THAT BUREAU FEELS
MUST BE SEARCHED AND IN MAKING REQUEST OF ARMY INTENDED THAT
ENTIRE AREA BE TRAVERSED IN SEARCH.
I REQUESTED TO PROVIDE ARMY ASSISTANCE UNTIL
SEARCH IS COMPLETE. REFERRING REQUEST TO HIS
SUPERIORS FOR DIRECTION.

MATTER WILL BE FOLLOWED AND BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED.

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	TO:	DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111) SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)
	FROM:	SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
	NORJAK	
	T	ERRAIN SEARCH WITH U. S. ARMY TROOPS COMMENCED TWELVE
	NOON I	NSTANT DATE. NEGATIVE RESULTS RE SUBJECT OR FINDINGS.
	SEARCH	COMMENCES SEVEN THIRTY A.M., MARCH TWENTYSEVEN NEXT.
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Special Agent in Charge

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NITEL 3/25/72 LJW

TO DIRECTOR

MINNEAPOLIS

PORTLAND

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

NORJACK

DUE TO SNOW FALL IN SEARCH AREA, SEARCH BEING
TEMPORALLY HELD UP. ARMY TROOPS REMAINING ON LOCATION.
WEATHER FORECAST PREDICTS RAIN, WHICH WILL
ELIMINATE SNOW. SEARCH WILL BE RESUMED, POSSIBLY SUNDAY
PM OR MONDAY AM.

BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111) SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM:

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

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WEEKLY SUMMARY

TERRAIN SEARCH WITH U. S. ARMY TROOPS AND AGENTS CONTINUED TODAY. NO DEVELOPMENTS.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

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FROM SEATTLE (164-31) 1P

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TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 3/17/72

FROM :

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

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SUBJECT:

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Assistant Director BATES called from Divison6. He said that they had a call from the Public Affairs Officer of the Army.

The Army is sending out to their Public Affairs officers in the field certain questions and answers which they anticipate using in connection with publicity in regard to the search.

Question 1: Is the Army assisting the FBI in its search for a sky jacker? Answer: Yes. At the request of the FBI approximately 200 U. S. Army troops from Ft.Lewis are assisting in the search for a sky jacker, believed to have parachuted in the vicinity of Portland, Oregon, on the 24th of November 1971. There is a possibility this sky jacker could have died in his jump. (The Bureau suggested to the Army that they change Portland to LaCenter, Washington)

Question No. 2 relates purely to the justification for the U. S. Army, which is supposed to be defending this country, being used in a situation like this and in answer to it the Army saidlthey feel it is justified since kk it came at the request of a responsible government agency and is related to their training program.

BATES did not give me this verbatim since we would not be concerned with it.

Thex No. 3 is another Army question which raises is such support legal and the Army answer is Yes.

BATES suggests that we make no comment other than to say, Yes, the Army is assisting us in the search and we have no further comment.

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SA THOMAS J. MANNING

NOPJAK

A conference was held with the below listed Pacific Power and Light personnel at their corporat: headquarters, 920 SW 6th. Streetm Portland, Oregon on 3/13/72:

LEONDAR E. FRANK (former SA) Security Consultants Vice President

After discussion ______ advised that Lake Merwin Park at Ariel Dam could be used as a command post and bivouac area for Army personnel in the planned ground search. The company will power all cooking units and will further supply power to the octagonal shaped guard house which is to be used for briefing purposes. Further rest rooms will be opened for use and hot showers will be available.

While an extension phone is available at the guard house it was requested that if a phone is necessary that a separate installation be made to free the Ariel Dam switchboard of excess traffic.

Further it was requested that some type of pass be provided for authorized PP & L personnel at the dam site and from other locations having business at the site to allow free access through gate to Merwin park.

Also it was requested that a liaison officer from thesearch party handle any contacts with the public or press since PP & L personnel do not desire to become involved in answering inquiries and providing information.

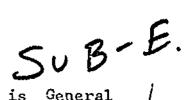
The PP & L group also requested that a letter be directed to enclosed in an inner envelope marked Official and Personal setting forth a statement insuring PP & L that no personal liability will attach to PP & L for injuries incurred by Army personnel and Agent personnel.

assure DEAGLED WRITEREX OF complete cooperation by PP & L in the search matter SAMMENTE OF that any unusual requests be cleared through him personnel by 1772 All PP & L personnel were advised that SAC. Seattle would be letter outlining items requested within the next two days.

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GENERAL INFORMATION



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1	TELEPHONE - company providing service at Ariel Dam is General Telephone of the Northwest, Inc., 265 N. E. 2nd., Gresham, Oregon. Installation of phone at command post at Lake Merwin Park will be \$20 for installation and minimum charge of \$11.00 per month. TO EXPEDITE HANDLING OF REQUEST FOR INSTALLATION the request would have to be handled through the Portland Division with the installation to be made in the guard house at the Park. Person to be contacted at the phone company is be be become and the contacted at the phone company is
:	ACCOMODATIONS
	Cowlitz County - Washington
	Cowlitz County coroner and deputy have been advised of possibility for their services on short notice.
,	Clark County will be advised on 3/14/72 SUGGESTIONS FROM SEARCH AND RESCUE DOG PERSONNEL FOR EQUIPMENT AND
	SEARCH TECHNIQUES - Every searcher to have leather gloves and waterproof shoes Use toilet paper for marking extremities of each grid and use skirmish line with no more than 5' foot intervals between searchers in heavily wooded areas. Then at extremity of search grid entire line can be swung around using one grid extremity marked by paper as guide for next grid. Paper will disintegrate after short time in elements. Terrain is very difficult with windfall and alders in profusion in area near point A. Very slow movement of the line is advised with all personnel instructed to look up as they search as well as only ground. Recommend no more than six hours of search per day. 10 minute breaks
	every hour and no more than 30 minute break for lunch with field rations.
3	Recommend supplying each searcher with candy bars on daily basis to give quick pickup and replenssh calorie use which is approximately 600 calories per hour in heavy wooded area. It is recommended that FBI supply these items which can be secured wholesale through contact at Longview.
!	Recommend straight line at all times with the entire SERRALIZED THE SERVED TH
	control speed and line movement. One agent every 10 months of the purposes with no more than 5 foot intervals in heavy wooded area.

Recommend one man on the line have a compass to shoot bearings to keep grid intact.

Recommend several agents behind the skirmish line to insure that line maintains itself straight with no straggling.

It was pointed out that there is heavy concentration of coyotess which gives distinct possibility that if hijacker did hit the ground his body could be completely stripped of flesh and clothing. In event a man with a dog is required charge is \$175 per day if

to be used exclusively on the search.

Suggest if Army is approved that a basic training company in last stages of training be employed due to good physical condition. Suggest skirmish line have smoke grenades in event one of searchers is injured and evacuation is necessary by helicopter. Will guide evacuation helicopter to scene with no delay.

On steep places encountered these could be skirted and searched with field glasses since in most steep places there is little growth of

foliage and trees.

From Lake Merwin Park to Point A through Woodland is 20 miles on good roads.

. In event it is necessary to cross Lewis River above Lake Merwin a county road crosses at Amboy.

In emergency the road acorss Yale Dam could be used according

to Po & L Company personnel but this is discouraged.

Lake Merwin Park has a double sized vehicle gate which is the only means of entering the Park and Ariel Dam location. This gate could be kept closed with sentry posted to keep out curious and newspaper and other news media.

A comfort station with hot showers is available and will be made available by PP & L and is located directly above the picnic

Two large cooking shelters - eachwith 12 hot plates and sink with running water. Will be made available for use by PP & L.

A small store which can supply immediate needs for small items of military personnel is located immediately outside the entrance gate to Ariel Dam site.

Large octagonal shaned guard house about 100 yards from gate can be used as command post. Has light, heat and phone can be installed with all maps necessary for search use mounted over windows.

Sufficient gravel roads and black topped area for vehicles to eliminate parking on grass areas and disturbing recreational facilities.

Garbage dump nearby for debris removal.

GENERAL ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR USE

30 WATT RADIO at Command Post for communication with Bureau cars on roads in search area.

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At least 5 walkie talkies on Bureau channel to be used in conjunction with military radios.

One bull horn for briefing purposes.

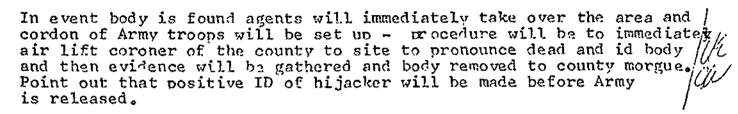
Rain gear for all agent personnel involved in search

It is suggested that in view of Army troops being used that if occasion presents itself a suggestion should be made that a military helicopter should be standing by at search area to assist in fly over to determine that skirmish line is kept straight and within the specified grid area and to immediately check out suspicious items which cannot be reached from ground.

Weyerhaeuser Company, Longview has advised a helicopter will be available on short notice. Clark County SO has one helicopter pilot on department with almost immediate access to helicopter.

Vancouver PD officer also helciopter pilot with halicopter available on short notice.

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SAC at Army briefing at 10:00 AM	•
SAC at Army briefing at 10:00 AM Information on JP-4 supply location SUB - E	·
Explore charges for agents eating breakfast at Lake Merwin - @Narge and also any charge for C ration for noon meal for agents in field with troops.	delive Kje
Mosaic will not be ready until 9:00 AM, 3/20/72 and will not be available for Army briefing but will be at command post on 3/21/72 set up for inspection and coordinating of search.	Janet -
Copies of blown up map to be given to unit commanders.	Afr
Advise Army personnel of following: agent at gate will handle security of Lake Merwin park DO WE NEED 24 hour gate guard?	ye per
. White tape will be placed on electrical wires per request of for helicopter pilot.	my go
Army personnel will have no contact with vivilians - ann inquires of army personnel will be referred to Squadron Commander, who will refer to agent without identifying the agent as FBI personnel.	Oh 66 Gw 671
Permission for fires in field being secured from Dent. of Natural Resources.	!
SA will work with as operations officer.	ь6 ь70
We understand that the operation is an Army adventure training miss to familiarize Army personnel with training in ground reconnaisance	
All buildings, inhabited or not, army will completely skirt and onlagent personnel will search buildings. No army personnel will sear any buildings.	cch V
Telephone being installed today WW . 164-81-2531 Making use of house as command post rather than guard shack WW	['
Making use of house as command post rather than guard shack	<u> </u>
Army starts from Ft. Lewis 0800 3/21/72 and expect SEARCHERD tr NOTE in field with some searching completed in afternoon SERIMIZED / MAR 23 1972	4
EXPLORE POSSIBILITY OF SOME AGENTS REMAINING WITH TROOPS AND SEATHER IN EVENT NECESSARY TO MAKE CONTACT WITH FBI AND POSSIBILITY TROOPS MAY FIND SOME EVIDENCE.	per 2/650
Search will be made with 3 priorities - Cone area #1 main body of South of cone #2 and north of Lewis River #3 Air Rifle platoon will be inserted in vicinity of point A for specarea searches and wherever else needed - insertion by helicopter. 5 to 10 foot intervals between men absolute maximum. keep skirmish search line straight & all stop when one finds some	troops cific



In event after four or five days it is felt by FBI that further time other than allotted seven days for Army troop use is necessary this request is to be immediately communicated to who will then secure permission from 6th. Army.

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•		Re memo of SA dated 5/14/76.	b70
•		On June 9, 1976, Bellingham Harold, Box 1277, Bellingham, Washington, 98225, telephone (206) 734-3900, after consulting with the newspaper's publisher, advised this newspaper will participate in a publicity venture as set forth in referenced memo. He advised he would print the article and ransom bills serial numbers on a one time basis in a Sunday edition, which has the largest distribution.	ь6 ь70
		advised the paper along with many others utilized an electronic scanner system which can set the type automatically and in order to do this the text must be typed with a Selectric typewriter with a Courier 12 ball. He advised the letter could be double spaced, but this is not necessary for the scanner.	b6 b7
		A newspaper, which is familiar to the writer, and which is not a major newspaper, but is certainly one which should be contacted regarding the publicity venture is the Western Flyer. It is published by	b6 b70

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TO ACTING DIRECTOR (164-2111)
FROM SEATTLE (164-81(P) IP

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NORJAK. 00: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE AIRTEL TO THE BUREAU 3/2/73.

A ONE MILE AREA SURROUNDING THE POINT WHERE IT IS CALCULATED UNSUB WOULD HAVE LANDED IF HIS PARACHUTE DID NOT OPEN, WAS THOROUGHLY AND COMPLETELY SEARCHED DURING THE WEEK OF 3/12-16/73 WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

THE SEARCH WILL RESUME DURING THE WEEK OF MARCH 26, 1973, AND WILL CONSTITUTE A ONE-MILE SQUARE TO THE NORTH AND SOUTH OF THE FIRST MILE. ANY FURTHER SEARCH WILL BE CONTINGENT UPON THE RESULTS OF CURRENT SEARCH.

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DATE: 3/9/73

FROM :

SA THOMAS J. MANNING

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SUBJECT:

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we search of new area at drop zone a conference was held 3/9/73 with agents to be involved in search.

Decision was made to commence search as early as practicable on 3/12/73 with prime drop zone at new Point A to be first area scarched. Case agent has requested that shovels (entrenching tools) and machetes be secured to assist in search. SAs

will take SR 99 to Vancouver, Washington and will pick up below listed equipment at whatever location it can be secured:

8 entrenching tools

11 penchos

11 pair of rain pants (suspender type)

10 machetesor some type of brush cutting device

Headourrters for search will be SE 99 (mobile) and Quay Motel (fixed). Search in initial phase to commence 3/12/73 and end 3/16/73 at 4:00 PM. Agents from Seattle Hq will return to Scattle afternoon of 3/16/73.

has telephonically advised that he has secured waiver of search forms from all individuals in prime I square mile area and for distance of 12 mile north and south of prime area.

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will bring photographic equipment, evidence kit and other material which will be necessary in event remains or evidence are located. 4 portable radios will be secured from with charger and will be transported by agents in

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SE 99.

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will drive SE 90 with SAs will have vehicle (number unknown) which he will SA drive accompanied by SA

Agents from Seattle Division will leave at 7:30 AK, 3/12/73 and will meet with writer at Quay Motel, Vancouver for briefing and it is anticipated thatsearch will commence afternoon of 3/12/73 b6 .b7C

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	December, determine training the contile located whowever, was contathis matthave militarequest to Special A the Secretal	Continuous investigation has been conducted at the Arlington, Virginia, during the months of 1972, and January, 1973, in an attempt to who would have authority to re-route military missions in visual aerial phtography flown within nental United States. To date no one has been ho could positively state that this could be done, cted and he advised that he had made inquiry into er and stated that in the event Seattle wished to tary assistance in this matter than Seattle should he Director to submit a letter of request to the ssistant to the Secretary of Defense, Office of tary of Defense, Pentagon, Washington, D. C. 20301. etter the full particulars of the matter should rth as well as whether or not the Bureau or tof Justice is willing to observe the additional my to the Air Force. advised that he
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TO:

SAC, ALEXANDRIA (164-72)

FROM:

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

SUBJECT:

NORJAK

00: SEATTLE

Re WFO letter to Alexandria dated 11/20/72.

Alexandria is requested to expedite investigation requested in referenced communication and report results to Seattle Division.

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RE SEATTLE AIRTEL TO ALEXANDRIA, 1-28-73.
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NATIONAL MILITARY COMMAND CENTER, PENTAGON
CONTACTED 1-29-73, BY SA REGARDING RELEASE TO BUREAU OF
RADAR DATA AND CALCULATIONS IN POSSESSION OF
MC CHORD AIR FORCE BASE, WASHINGTON. MATTER REFERRED TO JOINT
CHIEFS OF STAFF (JCS) PERSONNEL.
ON 1-30-73, OFFICE CONTACTED BY
, u.s. AIR FORCE, JCS STAFF, AND DETERMINED
AUTHORITY NOT TO RELEASE INSTANT DATA BASED ON AIR FORCE ALL
MAJOR COMMAND MESSAGE DATED JULY 1972.
U.S. ARMY, JCS, ADVISED TELEPHONICALLY CONFERENCE HELD 1-31-73,
BETWEEN HIMSELF, , AIR FORCE STAFF, JUDGE ADVOCATE
GENERALS OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D.C., AND OTHER PERTINENT AIR FORCE
OFFICERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY REGARDING INSTANT MATTER. RESULTS
ARE BUREAU WILL BE FURNISHED THE DESIRED INFORMATION.
SEATTLE CONTACT FOR FURTHER DETAILS REGARDING
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Memorandum

TO : SAC, ALEXANDRIA

DATE: 11/20/72

FROM : SAC WFO

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REFERENCE: Seattle airtel to Bureau, 11/15/72.

WFO copies of referenced communication are forwarded as lead is within investigative jurisdiction of addressee office.

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Via AIRTEL

TO:

ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM:

SAÇ, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

SUBJECT:

NORJAK

00: Seattle

Re Seattle airtel to Bureau, 11/1/72, Norfolk airtel to Bureau, 11/9/72.

Enclosed for WFO is one-copy each of re communications.

WFO is to contact the National Military Command Center, Washington, D.C., and request a training mission in visual aerial photography be flown along the 87 miles of the NORJAK aircraft flight path that is under consideration.

The exact coordinates of the area to be covered will be provided by Seattle Division, if the training mission is approved.

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. This lead is being set out on a UACB basis.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)	November 13, 1972
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On October 30, 1972, Orient Airlines, Seattle, Washington, telephadvised that Northwest Orient Airlines, would call SA concerning his calculations of the flight properties	th of Northwest tle. November ated the area n his possession
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AT McCHORD AIR FORCE BASE, WASHING	TON
Will contact with him his calculations of the flight patt the Norjak airplane in order to determine it possibility of an error in the computation area.	there is a
AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON	
Will arrange to obtain from copy of his calculations of the course, fligjump area for Unsub, aka Cooper.	a b6 ht path, and b7
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AIRMAIL

TO:

ACTING, DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111) AND

SAC, NORFOLK (164-41)

FROM:

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

SUBJECT:

NORJAK

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The following background information is being provided to the Norfolk Division: Unsub had with him prior to the time he jumped the following:

- Parachute Back Pack
- Parachute Chest Pack
- Briefcase or attache case
- D. Dark overcoat
- A 4x12x14 paper bag A pair of dark slip-on shoes.
- Wrap around sunglasses with dark rims.
- 10,000 \$20 bills.

Since none of the above was found when the plane was searched at Reno, Unsub must have taken them with him, or discarded some of them prior to jumping.

The above-described attache case supposedly contained a bomb. It is believed Unsub threw this attache case from the plane prior to his jumping, because of the numerous other items he had to carry. If he did throw it prior to jumping, it would fall almost directly in the path of the aircraft. The 727 air stairs were lowered sometime after 7:42 p.m. and Unsub jumped prior to 8:15 p.m. on November 24, 1971. The plane covered a distance of approximately 87 miles during this time.

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Fort Lewis, Washington, advised on August 22, 1972, that
Langley Air Force Base, Virginia, telephone , would be able to provide expert information
concerning the feasibility of using high resolution infrared
or regular photographic equipment in a low flying aircraft
to locate the attache case or any other of the above-described
items Unsub may have discarded prior to jumping.

The items could possibly be lodged in thickly wooded, mountainous terrain. The search area would cover a strip of land approximately 87 miles long by one-half mile wide. It has been suggested that infrared photography might possibly indicate non-living material, such as an attache case, in a darker shade than living material, thereby enabling the case to be found using infrared high resolution photography.

Since Unsub possibly discarded the attache case prior to jumping, he could not have buried or hidden it. The case would have dropped directly in the flight path of the plane and could possibly be visible from the air. The length of time Unsub would have to throw the case or any other item is limited to 33 minutes, and therefore the area covered is relatively small when compared to the entire flight path.

Since NORJAK is the only aircraft hijacking in which the subject has not been identified and apprehended nor the ransom money recovered, the following lead is being set forth as a method of possibly obtaining new evidence that might identify Unsub or indicate his whereabouts:

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AT LANGLEY AIR FORCE BASE, VIRGINIA. Will expeditiously contact and determine from him the feasibility and cost of conducting the above-described photographic air search.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)	October 31, 1972
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Re memo of SA THOMAS J. MANNING, dat	ed 10/24/72.
Referenced communication advised that washington, had furnished information:	
On the night of NORJAK, a jet airling his home at about 5,000 feet from the ground. Home is considerably east of the search area, jet airliner that flew over his home was the home this would indicate an error was made in of the search area.	and if the ajacked Boeing
LEADS	
SEATTLE	
AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON	
1. Will through Northwest Orient Airlin	nes 🗀

2. Will review radar information concerning the flight of Northwest Orient Airlines 727 in an attempt to determine the accuracy of the previous flight path calculations.

and with

3. Will review logs currently contained in Seattle File 164-81 to determine if UNSUB could have jumped after the time previously calculated.

recalculate the flight path and a drop point pertinent to

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FROM : SA THOMAS J. MANNING

SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re memo of SA THOMAS J. MANNING to SAC. 10/19/72

On 10/20/72 SA contacted contacted Washington and he furnished the following

information:

He lives directly under the fly way between Portland and Seattle. He recalls that the night of the hijacking a plantwas flying very low and slowly over his house in the early evening and about 5 minutes after the plane flew over he heard on television that the hijacking was in progress. He stated the plane was a jet airliner but he did not see the plane. It was about 4 to 5,000 feet from the ground and he recalled that the weather was overcast, very low clouds and it was raining. The flight of the plane was about 20 miles from Mt. St. Helens

He pointed out that planes on the fly way always fly about 10 to \$2,000 feet and in the four years he has lived at his present location he has never heard one so low as on the night of the hijacking. He advised that he knows the plane was over 3,000 feet for he lives near Mount Tum Tum and that is 3,000 feet and the plane was above that mountain. He also pointed out that the east end of Lake Merwin is approximately the plane flew directly over the sarea and the area over which it flew is extremely rugged terrain. The pointed out that recently there have been a number of hunters in that area, from Lake Merwin to the sarea.

stated he feels that if it was the hijacked plane then the area which has been searched would have been too far west. He pointed out that the plane was heard before 10:00 PM and after dark but he could not fix the exact time he heard the plane fly over.

furnished a copy of a map on which he drew what he felt was theflight of the plane and this map is attached.

The area over which the plane flew has a number of private owners but the majority of the area is owned by Gifford Pinchot National Forest and the Weyerhaeuser company.

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DATE 10/19/72

FROM : SA THOMAS J. MANNING

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On 10/19/72	ontacted the Longview R	Washington, tel	ephone 166
he lives just north of the			at "" present
. He advised that	to get to his residence		

He pointed out that the night of the hijacking he was watching television and heard an announcement concerning the hijacking. Almost as soon as he heard the announcement a large plane flew low overhead and flew slightly to the east of his house over area. He pointed out the area into which the plane flew was one which is extremely heavily wooded and area into which one would have difficulty going on foot.

He advised that he has been thinking of calling the FBI on this matter but has kept putting it off and feels that the flight of the plane that night would indicate that the area searched to date has not included area and the route over which the plane flew. He pointed out that he lives directly under the north-south flyway for the airlines and this is the only time that he and have ever heard a plane flying over that low. He requested

have ever heard a plane flying over that low. He requested an agent contacting him personally in order that the flight of the plane could be accurately described.

Contact with will be made 10/20/72-

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One copy of this memorandum furnished to SA Longview RA for handling on 10/20/72.



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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

SEATTLE AIR ROUTE TRAFFIC CONTROL CENTER 3101 Auburn Way South Auburn, Washington 98002



.30 December 1971

Mr. Charles Farrell
Special Agent
Federal Bureau of Investigation
115 Second Avenue
Seattle, Washington 98104

Dear Mr. Farrell:

As you requested, we have enclosed a transcription of our recorded air-ground communications with Northwest Airlines Flight 305 of 24 November 1971.

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Chief, Seattle Center

Enclosure

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•	Administration (FAA), Seattle Air Route Traffic Control Center Auburn, Washington, provided a transcription prepared by his office of tape recordings of transmissions between the Auburn center and Northwest Airlines Flight #305, which was under hijack on November 24, 1971.	,	FZ
	advised that the original tapes are maintained in his custody.	b6 Per b7C	F?
	advised that the Seattle Center worked #100 #305 on the way in to Seattle from Portland, but had no indication that a hijack had occurred and the aircraft did not squawk any signal as to a hijack situation. They were not aware of the hijack until they handed off the plane to the Seattle-Tacoma Tower.		,
	advised that after the plane took off from Sea-Tac on its way south toward Sacramento, California, the Auburn Center worked the flight from shortly after take-off until they handed the flight off to the Oakland Center, which occurred at the Oregon-California border.	b6 Per b7C	F7
	In view of the fact that the times listed in the loprovided by are in Greenwich Mean Time (GMT), an insertion has been made at least once in each page to convert the GMT to Pacific Standard Time.	b6 Per b7C	F?
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	SA CHARLES E. FARRELL/klb Date dictated 12/30/71		

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OR APPROVAL TO FLY SPECIFIED CORRIDOR NORTH OF PORTLAND, OREGON,

N SR-SEVENTYONE HAS BEEN FILED WITH FAA. UPON RECEIPT OF REPLY.
ROM FAA AND CONSISTANT WITH MILITARY NEEDS FOR SR-SEVENTYONE AND

ROBABLE BAIL-OUT AREA OF HIJACKER AS DESCRIBED BY NORTHWEST AIRLINES

ERSONNEL.
SACRAMENTO WILL FOLLOW AND ADVISE.

CONSIDER UNSUB ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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AIRMAIL

TO

SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (-P-)

SUBJECT:

NORJAK

Re Seattle facsimile 1/13/72 transmitting memo from and map.

Enclosed are a memo and a revised map of the probable drop area as prepared

, Northwest Airlines. These were prepared after an experimental flight conducted by Northwest Airlines on 1/6/72 and the calculations are based on a refined radar map provided by the Air Force.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

NORJAK

On 1/12/72 I called ASAC ROSACK at Sacramento. I told him we were temporarily stimied in our search of the area as to where the hijacker could have possibly jumped pending decisions from them as to whether the photo reconnaissance plane was going to photograph the area and read the photos for us before we tried to do a foot search.

After checking he said they were going to do it; they had the map of the area and the first good day when the light was right, they would do it. It would not take long after that that the photos could be studied and analysed, (he thought it would be only a few days that we would have the results.) We will be advised.

I called the Bureau and talked to HENRY SHUTZ. I told him that the SAC had wanted him to know the reason we had not come in with a request in connection with a terrain search of the suspect drop area, was that we felt it would be well to have an aerial reconnaissance. I furnished him the information set out above. He said that he understood and that it was no problem insofar as he was concerned.

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1/11/72

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

NORJAK

Re: SEARCH AREA	
On 1/10/72 after having received the new plotting of the search area, prepared by, the writer telephonically contacted at Northwest Airlines, Minneapolis.	be bi
advised that his computations based on the results of the experimental flight on 1/6/72, coupled with updated information furnished by of the U.S. Air Force at McChord AFB, he had prepared a revised plotting of the course of the aircraft as well as a probable jump area.	b€ b7
A memo prepared by as well as a map which he also had prepared, had been received and during the telephone conversation advised that in his judgment, the best possible spot to search for the subject would be at Point A and proceeding from there to Point B on the map memo adequately explains the lines drawn on the map and are therefore not further being explained.	b6 b7
said he feels that the hijacker is more apt to be found south of line A & B than north of the line and more apt to be in the western part of the possible area than in the eastern part.	be b7
As a result of talking with the writer drew arc's emanating from Point A down to a point on line G thru K. The arc's were extended along the lines A-B and down to the same aforementioned line G-K. It was his feeling that this would be the most fruitful area.	b6 b7
arc's to the north of line A-B also to line G thru K.	
The arc's drawn on the southern portion from lines  A-B are in solid felt marker pen and then ones above are in a  dotted arc.  CEF:klb  (4)  DB Cooper-27	768i

